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NO REST FOR THE COURT

Holiday Sessions of the Beef Inquiry Board.

DALY A WITNESS

He is Miles' Star Accuser in the Controversy.

Chicago Packers Will Confront the Pittsburg Doctor at the Hearing—Summary of Examination—Comments on the Case of Gen. Miles and the Courts' Finding.

WASHINGTON, February 22.—[illegible] inquiry on the beef [illegible] this morning Colonel [illegible], announced that the [illegible] witnesses so far [illegible] was about concluded.

Dr. William H. Daly of Pittsburg, [illegible] volunteers, who testified [illegible] war commission that he had [illegible] boracic and salycilic acid [illegible] refrigerated beef furnished the army, testified that he was assigned to the staff of General Miles and was sent to Key West, Miami and other points to study the proposed campaigns. Finally he joined General Miles at Guanica, Porto Rico. Dr Daly said he remained at Porto Rico some days after General Miles' departure supervising the careful preparations of the transport Panama for bringing convalescents north. On arrival at Fortress Monroe on September [illegible] he was given a sick leave. While still sick in Pittsburg he received orders from General Miles to [illegible] an inspection tour of the new hospitals in the south being fitted out for tropic service. This was the [illegible] when the witness became acquainted with the alleged embalmed beef. His investigation was directed particularly toward the food supply and the cooking arrangements of the regiments with a view of improvement.

Dr. Ryan's testimony was suspended in order that the Chicago packers might be represented when he was cross-examined specifically as to his report alleging that the beef was chemically prepared.

MILES IN A HOLE

Allegations of Army General Not Sustained.

WASHINGTON, February 22.—Little progress is being made by the [illegible] of inquiry. Several of the [illegible] whose names were furnished by General Miles commanding to answer certain allegations about embalmed beef have been examined. Not one of them knew of any use of chemicals to preserve the refrigerated beef. Most of the witnesses for General Miles testified that the refrigerated beef was as a rule good, with now and then exceptions, portions spoiled by too long exposure to the hot weather.

As to the canned roast beef, there was almost unanimity of opinion among the witnesses that the soldiers did not like it, and couldn't eat it. The questions of Major Davis brought out the fact that the canned roast beef was old, or that the attempt was made to get it from the cans. Further along in the inquiry testimony will be introduced to show that canned roast beef was not intended to be used in that way. Directions are printed upon every can showing that the purpose of the process is to furnish a meat and gravy basis for a stew. One of the witnesses testified that when the soldiers put the contents of the can in a pot and stewed it, adding vegetables, they found the so-called roast beef an altogether different article of food, and liked it.

Members of the court express the opinion that the inquiry will not be of great length. The hearings in Washington will continue only a few days longer. Then a trip will be made to the packing centers in the west, and the processes of refrigerating and canning will be given personal examination. At the various points the testimony of packing house owners and employes will be taken.

Comments upon the developments of the inquiry are frankly expressed in army circles. There is widespread surprise at the mildness of the testimony of General Miles. That testimony, taken with the statements of some of the general's chief witnesses seem to justify the prediction that the allegation of the use of chemicals to preserve the meat will be declared wholly unsustained. It is common belief, even with the friends of the general, that the charge of "embalmed beef" will be reported to have no foundation. This was the most serious allegation made by General Miles. It was far-reaching in its effects. If the impression based upon the progress made by the court holds to the end, the finding on this allegation will constitute the first count in the military indictment against the general.

Whatever the result may be in other respects, army officers agree that General Miles has, by his own testimony, laid himself open to one adverse finding. This point which he has scored against himself is rather technical, and may not strike the civilian as serious. Army men, however, consider it grave. By his own admission, General Miles states that he made no report to the secretary of war of the condition of the beef which he is now trying to prove was so bad. He says he had the knowledge, received through subordinate commanders for weeks, and did not inform the secretary. This was brought out with such distinctness and care by the court that army officers say there is no doubt it will be emphasized in the findings. The opinion in the army circles is that the general has laid himself open by the said admission to grave consequences. And yet he was forced to admit this fault in not reporting the bad beef, or else own up that these impressions of the quality of the meat were of development weeks after the campaign.

So strongly are officers of the opinion that Miles will fail to sustain the "embalmed beef" allegation, and the court will find him at fault in failing to notify the secretary of war, that speculation is already dealing with the probable consequences, as they will affect his future relations to the army. One significant comment made on the testimony is that the subordinate commanders made no reports of bad beef until they were called upon by General Miles long after the Santiago and Porto Rico campaigns, to state what their observations respecting the food had been.

Another point to the disadvantage of General Miles has already developed. The general not only failed to inform the secretary of war of his alleged discoveries regarding the beef, but he ordered certain officers to make an investigation. Therein he proceeded entirely without military law, the legal advisers of the department say. Reports have been called for, and many steps have been taken for which there was no warrant. The general has attempted to do what should have received the indorsement of the secretary of war to make it legal. Army officers who, until the court began its formal sessions yesterday, thought General Miles would hold his own, or at least escape any personal trouble as the result of the inquiry, are frankly admitting that they don't see how he is going to escape some penalty.

BLACK FRIDAY

For John Johnson at Danville Feb. 24.

DANVILLE, ILL., Feburary 22.—Invitations were issued Tuesday to witness the execution of John Johnson, Friday, February 24, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the murder of Ballard Johnson. This is the second time Sheriff Sloan has issued invitations for this function. The time was originally set for December 16. An hour before the execution Lieutenant Governor Northcott granted a reprieve for 10 days, which Governor Tanner afterwards extended until February 24.

CAUGHT AT LAST

William H. Newton is in Jail at Huntington, Ind.

WAS INDICTED IN DECATUR

In 1897 for False Pretense and Confidence Game—Wilson Woodford is in Trouble—William Towne Arrested.

William H. Newton, against whom two indictments were returned by the grand jury at the September term of the Macon county circuit court, has at last been captured after having kept out of the way of the officers for nearly two years.

Newton, it will be remembered by many, was a sort of inventor. He sold patent shaft supporters and various other articles. He was patentee for a combination roller and harrow. To a farmer named John Quinn Newton disposed of the right to sell the machine in certain territory and in payment received a deed for some land. There was some crooked work about the deal and the matter being brought before the grand jury Newton, together with two Decatur men were indicted for working a confidence game and obtaining from Quinn under false pretenses $198. Newton managed to make his escape and until now the officers have been unable to locate him.

JUMPED BOARD BILL.

This morning the whereabouts of Newton were learned. Marshal Mason received a letter from P. M. McCarty, chief of police at Huntington, Ind. It was asked if anything was known in Decatur of William H. Newton, patentee of a combination roller and harrow. Chief McCarty further stated that there was in jail at Huntington a man who was serving a term of 14 days for skipping a board bill at Anderson, Ind., and he claimed to be employed by Newton of Decatur. At Anderson he was endeavoring to organize a stock company for the manufacture of his harrow and roller and had in his possession a fine model.

PLENTY OF NAMES.

At Anderson the man registered as T. Willimer, when arrested gave the name of Harry Henry, to the jailor said his name was Henry Willowburton and told the justice that his name was William Henry. Chief McCarty stated in his letter that as the man claimed his employer to be from Decatur it was thought he might be wanted in this city. The description of the man under arrest as given in the letter was that he is about 40 years old, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches tall, weighs 140 or 150 pounds, has rather long sandy hair, sandy mustache and sideburns, and talks in a fine, squeaky voice.

NEWTON HIMSELF.

The description given of the man of various names tallied exactly with that of Newton himself and Marshal Mason is positive that it is Newton. His game of pretending to be employed by himself was smooth but it has led to his capture. Marshal Mason has in his possession one capias charging Newton with false pretenses and confidence, for which the bail is fixed at $300, and also another capias charging confidence game, the bail being $500. Arrangements will at once be made for bringing Newton back to Decatur and putting him on trial.

CONFESSED THEIR CRIME

Greenwood and Daniels Admit They are Wanted in Iowa.

In this paper yesterday an article was printed in regard to the capture at Lafayette, Ind., of Greenwood and Daniels, two escaped convicts wanted at Des Moines, Iowa. This morning Marshal Mason received a letter from Chief of Police Harrison stating that he had the right men and that they had both confessed that they were wanted at Des Moines for escaping from the sheriff while being taken to the penitentiary. They of course denied having robbed the Ernst saloon in Decatur. Chief Harrison stated that he had notified the sheriff at Des Moines and thanked Marshal Mason for the part the latter had taken in assisting in the capture of the men.

WIVES MAKE COMPLAINT

Wilson Arrested for Assault—Fourth Ward Ghost's Husband in Trouble.

This morning Mrs. Wilson Woodford made complaint against her husband and swore out a warrant against him charging him with assaulting her. The warrant was placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Hawes and Wood-

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DAMAGE SUIT

On Trial the Outgrowth of a Grain Deal.

JURY IS HEARING THE CASE

Trial by Court This Afternoon—The Hamilton Suit Went to the Jury Last Night—Docket Entries.

When the circuit court convened this morning a number of motions were heard. There was a trial by court in the case of Henry Shlaudeman vs. Thomas Andrews and Judge Vail gave judgment against the defendant. A recess was then taken until 11 o'clock, when the next jury trial was taken up, it being the case of the Middle Division Elevator Company vs. E. B. Sanner.

The claim of the elevator company is that Sanner sold grain which he did not deliver as agreed and they now seek to recover damages in the sum of several hundred dollars. Johns and Housum represent the plaintiffs and LeForgee & Lee are defending Sanner. A jury was secured and the trial of the case begun.

The Hamilton damage suit, which has occupied the attention of the court for about a week past, came to a close last night and went to the jury.

The entries on the court dockets today were as follows:

COMMON LAW.

Anna Diehl vs. D M. Garver, administrator, etc. Motion to re-tax costs overruled.

Edward L. Spurling vs. John H. Goltra; case. Continued.

D. F. Riddell vs. Leonard J. Howard et al; assumpsit. Continued by agreement.

Herbert F. Hall et al vs. William L. Dumont et al; assumpsit. Damages assessed by court at $714.79; judgment for same and costs and execution, etc., to be paid in due course of bankruptcy, etc.

Henry Shlaudeman vs. Thomas Andrews et al; assumpsit. Jury waived and trial by court by agreement. Cause heard and judgment against defendants for $633.25 and costs and execution.

The Middle Division Elevator Co. vs. E. B. Sanner; assumpsit. Trial by jury.

CHANCERY.

Harriet A. Mitchell vs. Henry J. Mitchell; divorce. Leave to file cross bill.

Frank E. Dooling, receiver, etc., vs. William Thomas et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved, cause heard and decree of foreclosure for $1411.48 and costs and sale, etc.

The People's Savings and Loan Association vs. Adam Mathias et al; foreclosure. Re-referred for proof and conclusions on cross bill.

American Trust and Savings Bank, trustee, vs. the City Electric Railway Co.; foreclosure. Exception to answer of C. P. Housum and motion to strike same and rule on defendant to answer by next Monday.

ALL ONE WAY

Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Gone Republican.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., February 22.—The plurality for Ashbridge, Republican candidate for mayor, in yesterday's election, is 119,766, the largest ever given a candidate for that office. The vote for Hoskins, the Democratic opponent, was 23,433, the smallest in many years. Both branches of the new city council are overwhelmingly Republican. The elections throughout the state show mixed results, the general trend being Republican.

THE NEWS.

Happenings in All Parts of the World Boiled Down.

All France will mourn for Faure until March 17.

Agoncillo is on his way to London on the steamer Labrador.

President Loubet's message to the French assembly was well received by both houses.

The Filipino rebels had planned to massacre all Americans on February 15. General Otis has a copy of the official order, copies of which were sent to the insurgent commanders. The combined attack did not take place.

Near Carrollton, Ill., Tuesday, John Ruttgeber, a German farmer, murdered his wife and killed himself. The woman was 70 years of age and had instituted divorce proceedings.

Lord Charles Beresford of England is now at Washington City. He is quoted as saying that the total trade of China amounts to $275,000,000, of which Great Britain gets 45 per cent and the United States about 14 per cent.

The street railway at Lafayette, Ind., which has been in the hands of a receiver, has been sold for $100,000 to Marrott & Dwyer of Indianapolis.

Three hundred mules from Alabama are on their way to San Francisco for shipment to Manila. They are for government use in the Philippines.

SUDDEN DEATH

James Stine of Lintner is Stricken with Apoplexy with Fatal Results.

James Stine, one of the best known and most prominent farmers of Piatt county, died at his home near Lintner at 5:30 o'clock on Tuesday evening of apoplexy. Mr. Stine was apparently as well as usual on Tuesday morning and was assisting his son in feeding the stock when he was seized with a dizzy spell and sank to the ground. He was carried into the house and in a half hour was unconscious. Dr. Davidson of La Place and Dr. W. C. Bowers of this city were called but their efforts to relieve him were fruitless and he died at the hour named. He leaves a wife and three children, two daughters and one son. One of the daughters is married and resides at Arcola. The son is also married and lived with his father and mother.

The deceased is well known in Decatur, having resided here at one time. He was a prominent member of the Decatur Lodge, No. 186, I. O. O. F., during his residence here and later transferred his membership to the lodge at La Place. He was a man of many fine qualities and held in the highest esteem by all who knew him.

The funeral will be held from the Methodist church at La Place on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. M. V. Hill, formerly of Hammond, will conduct the services, which will be in charge of the I. O. O. F. lodge of La Place. Several members of the Decatur lodge will attend. The interment will be at Union cemetery one and one-half miles north of La Place.

POLICE AT PARIS

Preparations to Arrest and Suppress Disturbers.

PARIS, February 22.—The police have seized 10,000 medals bearing the head of the Duke of Orleans. In view of possible demonstrations tomorrow on the occasion of the funeral of the late President Faure, the police have ordered the seizure of all seditious emblems, the arrest of their wearers, the dispersal of all street gatherings and to arrest anybody raising insulting cries against the president or other state officials.

GRAND CHANCELLOR COMINGS

Address at Chevalier Bayard K. of P. Lodge Last Night.

Dr. Arthur F. Comings of Rockford, grand chancellor of the Illinois Knights of Pythias, paid the Decatur knights an official visit last night at Chevalier Bayard lodge, where he was received with grand lodge honors and introduced by Chancellor Commander Kaylor. It was not known on what train the grand chancellor would arrive, but Representative McKenny of Couer de Leon lodge received him as he alighted from the north bound Diamond Special and escorted him up town. Later he met District Deputy Dinges and in the evening by invitation of Deputy Dinges a number of Chevalier Bayard and Couer de Leon knights dined with the grand chancellor in the ladies ordinary at the St. Nicholas.

A large number of knights greeted the distinguished visitor at the lodge room, and all listened attentively to a most interesting and helpful address on Pythianism, including a comprehensive presentation of the unwritten work. He also answered numerous questions.

Deputy Dinges in the name of Decatur knights thanked Dr. Comings for his excellent address and the meeting closed. The grand chancellor left this morning for Paxton.

Dogmatism is puppyism that has obtained its growth.

The rounds of a prize fight should be on the square.

AGUINALDO'S BOLD STAND

The Rebel Chief Issues Another Proclamation

TO THE WORLD

Assailing the Americans and Declaring War.

He Accepts the Situation and Declares That Filipinos Will Perish Before They Will Surrender—Pronounces the Philippine Commission a Farce—Needs No Help.

MANILA, February 22.—Aguinaldo has issued a manifesto accepting the situation caused by "the unexpected provocation of the Americans," while lamenting hostilities, which he says, he "tried to avoid by every means in his power, making humiliating concessions and tolerating insults and outrages by the army of occupation against the people of Manila." He adds that he is prepared to sacrifice everything "to maintain the integrity of national honor." He alleges that the country is unanimous in his support and that the people "will perish rather than accept the odious American dominion," declaring that even the corrupt Spanish power is preferable." He considers the Philippine commission a farce, and Otis, Dunby, Dewey and Secretary Harden "pronounced annexationists," the latter being charged with having "maliciously defamed" the Filipinos.

Aguinaldo expresses the wish that "the proclamation to the world will officially dispel the false rumors that Germany or any other power has rendered assistance, moral or material, to the Filipinos," and adding: "Nor have the Filipinos solicited it."

SALUTE AT MANILA

Delight of Negros Delegates--Otis' Pledge.

MANILA, February 22.—While the guns on the city walls and those on the ships of Admiral Dewey's fleet fired a salute in honor of Washington's birthday the four commissioners from the Island of Negros had an interview with General Otis and informed him that the American flag was already raised over that island and that the inhabitants were ready and anxious to accept any proposition the Americans might offer. The insurgents have been driven from the island entirely.

Although the Iloilo rebels had given up Negros there was much trouble, especially in the matter of financial assistance demanded by the rebel leaders. The inhabitants persistently held aloof. General Otis assured the commissioners that the Americans would provide an acceptable government and instructed them not to pay the rebels anything. The Negros commissioners are delighted with their reception.

HONORS FOR A CHICAGO GIRL

LONDON, February 22.—The Official Gazette announces that the decoration of the Imperial Order of the Crown of India has been conferred upon Lady Curzon, wife of the viceroy of India, and daughter of L. Z. Leiter of Chicago.

BURDETTE TO MARRY AGAIN.

TOLEDO, OHIO, February 22.—The Blade announces that Robert J. Burdette, the humorist, is to marry Mrs. P. C. Baker, a very wealthy widow of Pasadena, Cal., who has been his life long friend. She has one son about the same age as Mr. Burdette's son. The two young men are close friends, and are delighted with the match. The ceremony will take place at Pasadena about Easter.

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DISTRICT LODGE

Good Templars in Session in the City.

MEETINGS TO CLOSE TONIGHT

Thirty-Five Delegates from the Seven Counties—Reports of Committees—Address by Col. Demaree.

The third session of the district lodge No. 5, I. O. G. T. convened at 9:45 in the K. of P. hall in the old Library building this morning. District Chief Templar Ora O. Crane presided. Further reports from the credentials, district, executive, juvenile work and state of order committees were to be heard at the morning session, but were not given in until 3:30 this afternoon. There was a talk this morning by Colonel Demaree and Mrs. Willet Ashby, Miss Lillie Ashby of Westville lodge and Elmer Good of Forsyth lodge took the district lodge degree and were seated as delegates. Delegates from the Decatur lodge were also seated. They were Mrs. Weigand, Mrs. J. H. Rainey, Misses Bedford and Jacobs.

There are about 35 delegates present. They represent the lodges of Decatur, Forsyth, Lake City, Georgetown, Fairmount, Danville, Westville, Grape Creek, Muncie, Royal and Fithian.

The district officers at present are: District chief templar, Ora O. Crane of Decatur lodge; district vice templar, Mary Kreiger of Grape Creek; district past chief templar, Ed. L. Bevers of Silver Star lodge; district secretary, Louie C. Riley of Danville; district treasurer, Rosa B. Ruckle of Faithful lodge of Decatur; marshal, John D. McDaniels of Fairmount lodge, and district guard, Elmer Elgin of Faithful lodge.

The pro tem appointments were: District secretary, Miss Pansey Schroil, Faithful lodge; deputy marshal, Anna Chow, Faithful lodge; chaplain, Mrs. B. F. Mills, Faithful lodge.

So far the reports show that the lodges of the district are in a flourishing condition and doing good work. There is an increase in membership and the members are very much encouraged with the gratifying results of their efforts.

The afternoon session convened at 1:30 o'clock. Routine business was transacted at 3:30 and the reports from the different committees were read.

NIGHT SESSION.

The session this evening will include reports of committees on resolutions and a contest in the initiatory work by the degree staffs from Faithful and Decatur lodges of this city and Vermilion county lodge.

Colonel Demaree, who gave an interesting talk at the Grace M. E. church last evening will speak at the Asbury M. E. church on Thursday evening. All former Good Templars, temperance organizations and the general public are invited.

Colonel Demaree's talk at the Grace church last evening was an able and interesting discourse and in closing his remarks he made an earnest plea for an effort among the church people of the city to interest the young people in the temperance work.

CUSHING IN THE CITY.

Knights of Pythias Official to be at Couer de Leon Lodge Meeting.

Henry K. Cushing of Chicago, grand master at arms of the Illinois Knights of Pythias, was in the city today on his way to Lincoln. He will return to Decatur tomorrow and will visit Couer de Leon Lodge, No. 17, at its meeting in the evening. Mr. Cushing is one of the best posted Pythian officials in the state and his visit by the K. P. brethren generally is looked forward to with much pleasure. He will be properly entertained while in the city.

POLICE FORCE CRIPPLED.

Four of the Officers are Ill—Ed Koschenska's Condition Improved.

The city police force is in a rather crippled condition. Four of the officers are confined to their home by illness. Oscar Cross and William Bailey of the day force, are both at home sick. Officer Welty has been ill but is better and will probably be able to be out tomorrow.

Ed Koschenska, who has been seriously ill of kidney trouble, seemed to be somewhat improved today.

WEDDINGS.

DEETZ-DAVIS.

Miss Adelia D. Davis and Edward E. Deetz were united in marriage by Rev. A. W. Hawkins of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at his residence on North Union street at 2 o'clock this afternoon. They were attended by Mr. Harvey and Miss Orchard. Mr. Deetz is a salesman in the Grand Leader of St. Louis. The couple left for that city this evening and will go to housekeeping at once at 162 North Twenty-Fifth street.

EHRHART-JONES.

Samuel F. Ehrhart of Bearsdale and Miss Katie M. Jones were married at the home of the bride's parents, northwest of the city at 10 o'clock this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Park and other Decatur friends were in attendance.

TUTTLE-PROVOST.

The marriage of Miss Daisy Provost and Harrison H. Tuttle was celebrated at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, two and one-half miles northwest of the city. The bride is a niece of Justice of the Peace Provost.

DRINK GRAIN-O

after you have concluded that you ought not to drink coffee. It is not a medicine but doctors order it, because it is healthful, invigorating and nourishing. It is made from pure grains and has that rich seal brown color and tastes like the finest grades of Coffee and costs about ¼ as much. Children like it and thrive on it because it is a genuine food drink containing no injurious properties. Ask your grocer for GRAIN-O, their food drink. 15 and 25c.

FIRE SCARE IN A HOTEL

At the New Brunswick This Afternoon.

This afternoon at 3:40 the entire fire department was called out by a lamp explosion fire in a room on the second floor at the Hotel Brunswick. The fire was in the room occupied by Harry Easterly. The sofa and furnishings of the room took fire and the occupants of the room escaped to the veranda. The fire was quickly placed under control. Mr. Easterly was slightly injured and one woman nearly fainted. Damage comparatively slight.

AT BOSTON

Bells Rang in Memory of Washington.

BOSTON, MASS., February 22.—Washington's birthday was celebrated by a general suspension of business, the ringing of bells and a display of flags. Patriotic services were held in various churches.

"THE HOLY SPIRIT"

Was the Subject at the Tabernacle Last Evening.

Dr. S. M. Martin again spoke to a large audience at the tabernacle last evening. "The Holy Spirit" was his theme and he handled his subject with an easy grace which showed he was master of it.

He declared that only the moral influence and not the physical secured salvation to the penitent. The holy spirit was the earnest of God to the seeker of the life beyond and in order to secure this gift obedience to the commands of Christ were to be complied with. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God," and not by some mysterious agency.

At the close of the service a lady was received into membership.

The subject this evening will be "Infant Baptism Examined."

Death of a Child.

Arthur Tharp, aged 15 months, died at 5:20 a. m. today at the home of his parents, 2097 North Union street. The remains will be taken to Ramsey, Ill., tomorrow for burial.

Wanted.

A janitor for the Elks lodge rooms. Must have best of reference and give bond. Apply to Dr. O. T. Eddy.—22-d1w

Funeral of Mrs. Dieckhoff.

The funeral of Mrs. Maria Dieckhoff, wife of Herman Dieckhoff, was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence, 1326 East Herkimer street. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

The Grip Cure That Does Cure.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets removes the cause that produces La Grippe. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each Tablet.

Pension Applicants.

Forest Sanders of Blue Mound, Hamilton Phillips of Oreana and Ezekiel Willoughby of Decatur were applicants before the Decatur pension board today for an increase in pension.

Edward Bruce Amsbary, who is to appear at the First Baptist church on Friday evening, February 24, received the largest number of encores ever accorded a reader by a Decatur audience. Added to Mr. Amsbary's numbers will be musical selections by Decatur's best musical talent. Admission 25 cents.—22-d2t

—Mrs. C. W. Weaver was called to Chicago last evening by a telegram which announced the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Thomas James. The case is one of acute pneumonia.

—Fred Church and family have gone to Toledo, Ohio, where Mr. Church has accepted a position with a music house as a tuner. His position as organist at the First Presbyterian church will be filled by Miss Bessie Young until the return of Miss Edna Bunn from New York. Miss Bunn is expected home about the middle of April.

Jeffrey Hudson was only 18 inches high at 30 years of age.

SPANISH GUNNERY.

It Did Impress the Commander of the German Cruiser Geier as Wonderful.

Capt. Jacobsen, commander of the German cruiser Geier, has published in the Marine Review, of Berlin, two articles about his personal experiences during the Spanish-American campaign in Santiago. In speaking of Spanish gunnery he says:

"I have heard of only one instance where a Spanish shell found an American warship. This was sent into the Texas while that battleship was bombarding the Socopa batteries.

"One night while the American battleships kept up a continuous bombarding one of the attacking vessels was found by the searchlights of the battery. The Spaniards opened fire on it, but instead of hitting the vessel the Iowa, which lay under the cover of darkness, was struck by the shell from the Spanish howitzer.

"Great must have been the fright of the American officers when on taking charge of Morro they found that the cannon operated against them by the Spanish bore the dates 1608 and 1718. Part of these howitzers were found loaded as the Americans took charge. The officer in charge ordered them to be fired off, and found to his great surprise that the longest distance one of these shots would traverse was 800 yards.

"With due apologies to the brethren of Yankeeland, did the thrifty Americans really allow themselves to be frightened at this Spanish 'bluff?' In the beginning, perhaps yes. I must confess, and so do my officers, that while watching the proceedings from our cruiser we had not the faintest idea that the Spanish batteries had such antique material to defend their glorious honor with."

HUMOR OF THE INSANE.

There Is Plenty of the Real Thing, Says the Superintendent of an Asylum.

"I was sitting in my office the other day," said the superintendent of the insane asylum at Parlor City, "when one of the patients, a harmless fellow who is allowed to have the freedom of the building and grounds, came in, pale with indignation, and said that he had a complaint to make.

"'What is it, your highness?' I said, for it was the prince of Wales I was talking to.

"'Are the rules of the palace to be observed or not?' he demanded. 'I want to know whether our rules can be broken with impunity?'

"'Certainly not, your highness,' I said; 'what is it?'

"'I was coming down the corridor this morning,' he said, 'and in a rack on the wall I saw a dozen red pails, marked "for fire only." Now, is that right or not?'

"'It is,' I said. 'The sign is correct.'

"'Well, then,' he said, 'John (referring to a keeper) must be punished. As I stood there he came along and filled the pails with water.'

"'He shall be executed at once,' I said, and the prince bowed with great seriousness and walked out of the room.

"This incident illustrates a trick which few people know anything about," continued the superintendent. "That is, there is more unconscious humor about a lot of lunatics than there is genuine humor among sane people. Some of the things that my patients say and do are funnier than any of the things I read or hear from the outside world. I tell you, life isn't so prosaic as you'd think in an insane asylum."

THEATRICAL "JONAHS."

Some Instances That Seem to Give Good Excuse for the Superstition of Actors.

The world has heard much of many theatrical superstitions, but little is known by the public of the painful fact that there is many an excellent actor who is regarded in deep, sober earnestness by managers, authors and actors alike as a "Jonah" and a bird of ill-omen, says the Chicago Journal.

It is not, of course, possible to mention names, but half a dozen well-known men might be instantly named who are not now, and have not been for years, allowed on any account to appear in any new piece or at the inauguration of any new management, and their names have been ruthlessly crossed off when they have inadvertently crept into benefit announcements. One of the hardest-headed authors of eminence in this country only recently was horrified to find the name of one of these actors connected even with the revival of a play of his, and he insisted upon the engagement being canceled at once.

There is no getting over the fact that some of these men, good actors though they are, have never yet been connected with a play that has made a hit or achieved a run.

Stole a Tooth as a Souvenir.

"People chip off fragments from gravestones," said a traveler, "to carry away as souvenirs, and twigs and leaves from trees, and that sort of thing, so that it is sometimes necessary to protect those objects to save them. But the most curious thing I ever saw in the way of souvenir grabbing was in the catacombs of Paris, where one of a party of sightseers, following a guide along the passages lined with human bones, pulled out a tooth from a skull."

Temper as an Influence on Voice.

Temper, says an authority, has immense influence on the tone of the singing voice. An ill-natured or querulous person will invariably have a catlike quality in the voice, which is perceptible in singing quite as much as in speaking.

Lingering La Grippe Cough Cured.

Mr. G. Vacher, 157 Osgood St., Chicago: My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago and it left her with a very bad cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. One bottle cured her cough entirely. Now we are never without a bottle of this wonderful cough medicine in the house. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Drive thy business; let not that drive thee.—Franklin.

Grand Display of

NEW WASH FABRICS...

For 1899.

We no have on sale our COMPLETE LINE of choice Summer Fabrics selected during the past four months from the leading importers in this country.

Silk Mousseline de Soie,
Standard Madras Cloths,
Fancy Zephyr Ginghams,
Loop Taffeta Zephyr Ginghams,
Corded Chambrys,
White and Colored Piques,
Silk Mousseline Satin Rage,
Satin Stripe Ginghams,
Fine Egyptian Lawns,
Silk Embroidered Piques in Striped and Polka Effects.

Our SILK and DRESS GOODS DEP'T

Is now offering Choice Selections for Early Buyers.

Bradley Bros
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
Decatur Ill.

That Deceitful Telephone.

A woman who has been a victim of indigestion and is kept to dyspeptics' diet most of the time was recently invited to a dinner, which she was anxious to attend.

She went to her telephone, and, trusting to a somewhat unreliable memory, she asked to be connected by the ever-obliging "central" with telephone 2,394. When the connection had been made she began her plaintive query without any prefaratory: "Is that you, doctor?"

"I want very much to go to a little dinner to-morrow night," she began, rapidly, "and do you think it would hurt me if I ate just a taste of soup, and perhaps a little fish, or the least trifle of game, and a bit of salad or ice? I really think my stomach—"

Here she was interrupted by a voice from the other end of the wire.

"Madam," it said, coldly, "eat whatever you please. This is the Meteor Rubber company."—Youth's Companion.

Toreador Earned $60,000 a Year.

A successful toreador published his receipts a short time ago. During the corrida season he took part in 65 fights and killed 133 bulls. His net profit was $60,000, and the only injuries he sustained were a bruise on the foot and a rather bad wound in the leg. The risks run are, of course, great; but the men are so extraordinarily agile that grave accidents really seldom occur. Sometimes one will be badly gored, but a week or two of hospital will generally set him on his legs again. These men, often uneducated and proceeding from the lowest classes, are courted and feared, and even the larger newspapers of Madrid are careful to give nothing but praise to them, for fear of incurring their enmity.—London Sketch.

Photographing a Comet.

The astronomer, like other people, sometimes finds what he is not looking for. This is especially likely to happen in making photographs of the heavens. Many asteroids, and occasionally a comet, have been unexpectedly found in that manner. It now appears that a small comet, known as Chase's, was thus accidentally photographed on at least four plates which were exposed in November to catch the Leonid meteors. The comet happened to be near that point in the sky from which the meteors appear to radiate, and although it was invisible to the eye, the faithful sensitive plates took note of its presence.—Youth's Companion.

To insure a happy new year, keep the liver clear and the body vigorous by using De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

—Mrs. E. D. Mattes, who has been visiting at Moberly, Mo., for the past three weeks, is home. She was accompanied by her husband, who went to Moberly a few days ago and returned home with her.

—H. L. Ferguson of Blue Mound was in the city today on business.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. H. King and C. F. Shilling.

Presence of Mind.

"There is a long hair on your coat, John," she said, but before she had time to work up to the proper degree of indignation his vocal exercises were well under way.

"Is that so?" he exclaimed. "Well, that's a nice kind of business, isn't it? I probably went round with that thing on my shoulder all day yesterday. It's a shame, that's what it is, and the next time you want anything from a hair store you'll go after it yourself, and don't you forget it!"—Chicago Post.

Pretty Full.

He stood on the rear platform of the street car and flung his arms, slapping his sides to keep warm.

Another passenger jumped aboard, and, without waiting to peer through the frosted glass door, asked:

"What is the matter? Why don't you go inside? Is it full in there?"

"Full?" the other returned, in a tone that was laden with disgust; "my friend, it's so full you can't even look into that car without overcrowding."—Chicago Evening News.

Blandishments.

"Red roses, with thy lips compared, look mean!" exclaimed the fervid lover. "Thine eyes are as the soft, deep skies of Italy! Thy tresses would shame a Helen's locks!"

The maiden sat cold and unresponsive.

"Thy bicycle is the best ever!" protested the youth, and thereupon a crimson suffused her glorious countenance.—Detroit Journal.

He Wasn't.

The game had not proceeded far when Mr. Schmitt called.

"What you got?" he inquired, with bated breath.

"Aces," replied Mr. Dunkelspiel.

"How many ees der?"

"One."

"Der goot. I t'ought dat you vhas pluffin'."—Detroit Free Press.

Dogskin Dresses in China.

In northern China many of the natives are dressed in dogskin. There are many establishments where dogs of a peculiar breed are raised in large numbers for their shaggy pelts. They are killed when eight months old.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Yankee Pig.

First Spanish Citizen—Carramba! These Yankee pigs are insufferable.

Second Spanish Citizen—Of course. But what is your complaint?

"I offered to let one kick me for a peso, and he kicked me and refused to pay."—Omaha World-Herald.

A Bad Case.

Hibernating Hawkins—What's der matter, Bill? Yer restless!

Wobbling William—Yes: I don't sleep good! I must have insomnia; I wake up every two or t'ree days!—Puck.

One of the Two.

Jones—What do you think of a man who has to use a safety-pin to connect his trousers with his suspenders?

Brown—He should either get married or get a divorce.—Puck.

A Rival.

Visiting Uncle—There is no beast that has a roar as terrifying as has a lion.

Small Niece—Did you ever hear papa when dinner wasn't ready on time?—Detroit Free Press.

Turn About.

Wife—You loved me before we were married.

Hubby—Well, it's your turn to love me now, isn't it?—Harlem Life.

His Rank in His Class.

"You said you were No. 1 in your class," said the angry father, "and now the teacher informs me you are at the foot of it."

"My number in my class," returned the wily youth, intent upon demonstrating the correctness of his claim, "depends entirely on the end from which you begin to count."—Chicago Post.

Don't Care for Sermons.

In Calcutta it is extremely difficult to interest the foreign population in sermon at any time of the day. The Koh-i-Nur remarks on the curious spectacle of seeing 60 per cent. of congregation at the Calcutta cathedral at evensong march out just before the sermon.—N. Y. Sun.

The Savage Bachelor.

"Then you regard marriage as a civil contract?" asked the Sweet Young Thing.

"No," answered the Savage Bachelor, "it's rather a contraction of civility."—Indianapolis Journal.

Memories and Things.

The Elderly Belle—Ah! [illegible] back old memories to join in [illegible] once more.

The Elderly Beau—Yes, and I think it has also revived my old rheumatism.—Indianapolis Journal.

A Confidence Man.

"Why do you call Jimpson a confidence man?"

"Because he's always taking people aside and telling them his private affairs under the pledge of secrecy."—San Francisco Examiner.

Real Bliss.

Jones—And has he made her happy?

Johnson—Ecstatically so! They read the papers together and he lets her ask him all the foolish questions she wants to.—N. Y. Journal.

He Confesses.

"And what would you be now if it weren't for my money?"

"A bachelor."—Puck.

Labor is the law of happiness.—Stevens.

The mind that is unfed is also unstored.—Whipple.

GRIPPE

Grippe and influenza invariably leave the system with a bad cough. For such Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup is highly recommended. This wonderful remedy gives relief at once, conquers the worst cough overnight and soon effects a thorough cure.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Cures Grippe and Influenza.

Doses are small and pleasant to take. We recommend it. Price 25 cts. At all dealers.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of William H. Davis, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the estate of William H. Davis, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the term on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1899.

J. FRANK DAVIS, Executor.

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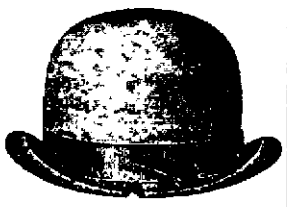

All the new prevailing shades in Soft and Stiff Hats, spring 1899.

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Our new shapes in Fedora, in Pearl Browns, Nutra Manila Beaver, Otter, Mahogany, Mocha.

ALL THE NEW PREVAILING SHADES.

Men's Fine Imported Crush Hats.
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Will soon be ready to show our

New Spring Suits and Overcoats...

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The Reliable Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.

MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK.

HOUSEKEEPERS' SALE!

Ads for Housekeepers and Economical Shoppers. Daily necessities at prices heretofore unknown for meritorious merchandise. Our spring purchases of housekeepers' necessities were immense. Cases and cases, bales and bales, have been coming for the past three weeks to get ready for this sale. We have other goods coming, we want these out of the way and we have decided to sell and TO SELL QUICK.

THE ARCADE Department Store

Is always up with the times and to add interest to this sale we have been fortunate enough to secure an immense lot of MILL REMNANTS that will be put into this sale at about HALF PRICE. Hotels, boarding houses, families having room in store, EVERY HOUSEKEEPER is interested in this sale.

No such prices ever made on these qualities.

10c Drilling 5c.

A lot of remnants of much unbleached drilling best for making men's summer clothes for washing cooks', butchers' aprons for pockets and many other purposes. We have the same goods in stock at 12½c yard. Mill remnants in the lowest yard lengths, Housekeeper's sale yard 5c

25c Sheeting 15c.

Very superior full 9-4 bleached sheeting—the sheeting is full wide as measured from 2 to 3 yards in a regular way we have a bale of mill remnants that by 25½ the Housekeeper's sale at 15c

20c Sheeting 12½c.

Same quality as above in 8-4 sheeting, bleached a little in half-bleached (preferred by some) to full bleached goods); 12½c is wider than many of the 15c goods, and sells usually at 20c yard. This bunch of remnants go in this sale at . 12½c

8c Bleached Muslin 4⅞c.

This is another bale of mill remnants and is a very fine, heavy bleached muslin in lengths from 1 yard to 5 yards. This muslin is the same as is Wamsutta and is worth 8c yard. Housekeeper's sale 4⅞c

10c White Lawn, 5c.

Another fortunate purchase of white lawn, 40 inches wide, extra good for pure white waists and dresses, in remnant lengths of from 1 yard to 5 yards, worth 10c. Housekeeper's sale 5c

18c India Linen, 9c.

Foremost of all these good things; this is a remnant of extra fine sheer India linen, dainty and pretty as can be made, right lengths for baby dresses and shirt waists, 2 yards to 6 yards, this grade sells in a regular way at 15c and 18c yd. Housekeeper's sale, yard 9c

12½c Percales, 6c.

1,200 yards of mill remnants of high grade percales, in the best spring styles, light and dark colorings, in stripes, plaids and checks, full yard wide, best cloth, would sell in a regular way at 10c and 12½c yard. Housekeeper's sale, yard 6c

Good Crash, 5½c.

50 pieces, heavy twilled, half bleached crash, fancy border, full 18 inches wide, you cannot beat it at 8½c. Housekeeper's sale, yard 5½c

Cotton Flannel yd. 3½c.

25 pieces of unbleached cotton flannel, sells usually at 5c. yard. Housekeeper's sale price 3½c

72 inch Table Linen, 43c.

Pure all linen 72 inches wide, could not be imported now to sell for less than 75c yard. Housekeeper's sale 43c

$1.25 Table Damask, 89c.

72-inch very finest Scotch table damask, our regular price $1.25. Housekeeper's sale price, yard 89c

50c Red Damask, 33c.

Fast color damask in the new block patterns, in blue and white and red and white, sells everywhere at 50c yd Housekeeper's sale 33c

25c Bath Towels, 14c.

We have just received a bale of heavy Turkish bath towels, 42 by 23 inches (we do not measure the fringe), worth 25c. Housekeeper's sale 14c

Huck Towels, 5c.

Large size 36 inches by 18 inches, fringed and fancy border, we have sold balce of this towel and they still go at 5c

25c Towels, 17c.

Ten dozen fine damask towels, assorted styles, some hemmed and some fringed, some slightly soiled, regular 25c goods. Housekeeper's sale 17c

J. B. Bullard,

FUNERAL DIRECTOR.

SYNDICATE BLOCK, NORTH MAIN ST.,

Where everything pertaining to the funeral business is furnished and attended to in the style of the art. Calls day or night will receive prompt attention. In connection a revolving vault. Residence 212 West William street. Residence Telephone 186. Office, 186.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar

Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates. mch22-tf

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

California fruits at Giessner's, 143 East Prairie.

Before having your rooms papered call at W. C. Pluck & Son's and see their line of wall paper, 109 East North street.—6-d1mo

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

One lot of men's French enamel and box of pointed toe shoes. Good sizes. Regular price $5. Our price $1.50.

Rodgers & Clark,
Successors to Freeman Bros.
—212t

Wrist Broken.

Mrs. Callahan, who resides with her son, S. E. Callahan, the well known Wabash engineer, at 1052 East Eldorado street, fell while walking on a board walk in the yard this morning about 9 o'clock and sustained what is known in medical circles as a colles fracture, a fracture of the wristbone. Dr. H. C. Jones attended her.

Trust those who have tried.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind and never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that.—Oscar Ostrom, 45 Warren ave., Chicago, Ill.

I suffered from catarrh; it got so bad I could not work. I used Ely's Cream Balm and am entirely well. A. C. Clarke, 341 Shawmut ave., Boston, Mass.

A 10c trial size or the 50c size of Ely's Cream Balm will be mailed. Kept by druggists. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, N. Y.

At St. Patrick's Church.

Rev. Father Costello of Bethany will be at St. Patrick's Catholic church and conduct devotional exercises. There will be rosary and a sermon.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50 cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Ehrhart-Jones.

Miss Katie M. Jones and Samuel F. Ehrhart were married at the home of the bride's parents northwest of the city at 10 o'clock this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Park and other friends from Decatur were in attendance.

Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Maryeville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompnied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthe, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles 10c, at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refnuded.

Fair Warning.

The enormous fire losses all over the country should serve as a warning to all property owners and holders of mortgages, since they show it is not safe to rely entirely on the fire department. We can write insurance in the best companies much cheaper than in past years.

KUNY, JOHNS & STROHM.
—22-d4t 124 North Water.

Acting as Mayor.

During the absence of Mayor Taylor, who has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for a visit of two weeks, City Controller Robbins is acting in his place. Before leaving Mr. Taylor sent Mr. Robbins a letter authorizing the controller to represent him as mayor in any way and giving him the power to sign papers.

A Dinner Pudding of Grape-Nuts is "A DEAR" and the concentration of nourishment

AT GROCERS.

USED SEVERAL WAYS.

The New Food Can be Served Plain or in Form of Desserts.

It is a known fact that many people fail to properly digest the starchy parts of bread and other food. Grape-Nuts (a delightful breakfast food) are made of the grape-sugar which results from preparing the starchy parts of the cereals, in the same way artifically as the body should do by natural processes. Therefore Grape-Nuts furnish food all ready for immediate assimilation into blood and tissue. They are made by the Postum Co., at Battle Creek, Mich., and are ready prepared, require no cooking whatever, and will be found most valuable by Athlete, Brain worker or Invalid.

Sold by Grocers.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

WHEELMEN'S BALL.

Among the entertaining and successful events of last evening was the ball given by the members of the Wheelmen's club at Guards' armory. The grand march was started at 8 o'clock with 30 couples in line. About 10 couples came later. The opera house orchestra played. The members of the committee on arrangements were Frank Meredith, Tom Pitner and Fred Hott. The reception committee was composed of Messrs. Roy Essick, Ralph Conklin and Dr. O. G. Collins.

CARDS.

The Misses Harriette and Edna Childs entertained a company of 25 at cards at their home on Prairie avenue last evening. Refreshments were served on the card tables.

JUNIORS WILL RECEIVE.

The Junior reception which will be held at Guards' armory on Thursday evening will be the grand effort of the year in the social circles of the High school. The plans have been the subject of discussion among the Juniors for several weeks and are perfect as to detail. The committees in charge are as follows:

Reception—Frank Grout, Celia Post, Edna Alexander and John Arthur.

Refreshments—Misses Nini Imboden, Celia Post and Nena Harkrader.

Program—Miss Louise Kelley and Dick Lloyd.

Card Tables—Miss Celia Post.

MRS. KENNEDY SURPRISED.

A party of friends called on Mrs. Effie Kennedy at her new home on North Main street last evening and spent the evening without giving previous announcement of their intentions. They left a number of pleasant and substantial remembrances of their visit.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Harvey Newell of West Macon street is ill.

—W. A. Arnold of Macon transacted business in the city today.

—David Schlingermer of Chicago is the guest of Decatur friends.

—Dr. Majors left yesterday for a visit with his family at Waco, Texas.

—Cloyd Gates has resigned his position with the Wabash.

—Jay Jones is now working for John Peniwell in the grocery.

—Miss Jessie Bowdle of Milmine was in the city today.

—Mrs. J. H. Uppendahl of Dalton City was a visitor in the city.

—Don Briggs has accepted a position as messenger with the Postal Telegraph company.

—John Aubert, the brakeman who had a part of his hand amputated several days ago, is getting along nicely.

—Miss Fleta Downing has returned from a visit with her grandparents at Salem.

—Mrs. Will Colladay of Kansas City is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. Hoher of West Macon street.

—Miss Grace Wayne has taken a position in the infant department at Linn & Scruggs.

—Mrs. J. H. Randall and daughter have returned from a visit with friends at Buffalo, Ill.

—Dr. W. B. Hostetler made a professional call at Niantic yesterday. He is treating the family of James Dingham.

—Will Layton had his thumb mashed while handling castings at the Wabash shops and has been compelled to take a short vacation.

—Mrs. R. A. Allison and family will move to Storm Lake, Iowa, March 1. Mr Allison has been there for some time. They will reside on a farm.

—Mrs. J. H. Sears gave a dinner to a company of eight at her residence on East Eldorado street Monday evening at 6 o'clock in honor of her birthday anniversary.

—Miss Ida Hockingberry, teacher in the Wood street school dismissed her room today on account of the serious illness of her mother, who is sinking rapidly and cannot live but a few hours.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fletcher and daughter Bessie, of Mt. Zion, were in the city to hear Sousa's band. Miss Bessie is a student at the Fettie Stuart school at Springfield and is at home for a short visit.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C:

F. G. Becker, Peoria, twine balling machine; O. E. Braconier, Rockford, forming machine; H. L. Ferris, Harvard, combined churn and butter worker; J. E. W. Fogal, Quincy, elevator gate; J. Frumveller, Pullman, car heating apparatus; J. Jacobson, Rockford, pulley covering; M. Sattley, Springfield, wheel plow; C. E. Smith, Plainfield, sand screen; T. Smith, Georgetown, Swinging bracket, W. H. Smith, Aurora, feed water heater and purifier; J. M. Underwood, Pawnee, corn planter; S. P. Welch, Aurora, elevating grader; C. Whitney, Winnetka, corn harvester. For copy of any of the above patents send 10c in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

Batty-Johnson Engagement.

The engagement of Miss Leonete Johnson and John Batty of Chicago is announced. The wedding will occur in May.

KOUNTY FAIR

Carpenters at Work at the Carnival Building.

BOOTHS ARE BEING PUT UP

And Everything Will be in Readiness to Open Monday Morning—There Will be a Big Parade.

The preparations for the Kounty Fair to be given next week by the Goodman band were started today. The corn carnival building where the fair is to be held was opened and many of the exhibitors began the erection of their booths.

All around the sides on the lower floor there will be booths where merchants of the city will exhibit their goods. At the west end of the building there will be a band stand where the musicians will be stationed. On the second floor there will also be a number of booths and a large stage where a vaudeville entertainment will take place each evening. Charles McAvoy of Chicago has been engaged to act as stage manager and will have charge of the vaudeville and take part in it. Some clever artists have been secured and the show will be no small feature of the fair. There will also be a side show on the second floor. Some of the exhibitors will have specialty features for the entertainment of the patrons. The fiddlers' contest will take place on Thursday evening.

The fair will open with a big parade on Monday forenoon providing the weather is pleasant. If Monday is a bad day the parade will be postponed until the weather is favorable. Each merchant or manufacturer who has a booth will be given the privilege to have a float in the parade and some elaborate arrangements are being made. There will be four bands in the parade.

Today carpenters and other workmen are busy at the building erecting the framework for the booths. The managers hope to have all the exhibits arranged by Saturday evening so that everything will be ready to open on Monday morning.

TOOK MORPHINE.

Mrs. A. L. Brockway Made Another Attempt to Take Her Life.

Last evening Dr. A. F. Wilhelmy was called to the residence of A. L. Brockway, 561 North College street, Mrs. Brockway having taken an overdose of morphine. When the physician arrived she was asleep and it was with considerable difficulty that she was brought back to consciousness. Today she had recovered. Mrs. Brockway was not well and as she became worried about a family matter she went to the drug store and purchased some morphine. She took two pills which were sufficient to cause death. It was the second time that Mrs. Brockway has attempted to take her own life.

Dinner and Supper.

The ladies of the Edward Street Christian church will serve dinner and supper on Thursday, February 23, and on Friday will serve a fish dinner at the tea store on East Main street. The menu for dinner on Thursday includes turkey with dressing, gravy and cranberries, chicken pie, mashed potatoes, cabbage slaw, celery, pickles, bread and butter, coffee and tea, plum pudding. The menu for supper includes sliced ham, chicken salad, hot rolls, peaches and cake, buttermilk, potato croquettes, pickles, coffee and tea. —20-d3

La Grippe.

Bethesda Mineral Spring Water may not always prevent the Grip, but if used freely, it will ensure a mild attack, because its action on the kidneys gives the needed tone and power to carry off the poison germs. Its use will also save you from those dangerous Kidney Diseases so often resultant from Grip. Bethesda is a cure for Diabetes and Bright's Disease. Sold by druggists in sealed half-gallon bottles. Write for booklet. BETHESDA MINERAL SPRING Co., A. M. Jones, President, Waukesha Wis.

A Cook Book Free.

"Table and Kitchen" is the title of a new cook book published by the Price Baking Powder company, Chicago. Just at this time it will be sent free if you write a postal mentioning the Republican. This book has been tried by ourselves and is one of the very best of its kind. Besides containing over 400 receipts for all kinds of pastry and home cookery, there are many hints for the table and kitchen, showing how to set a table, how to enter the dining room, etc.; a hundred and one hints in every branch of the culinary art. Cookery of the very finest and richest as well as of the most economical and home like, is provided for. Remember "Table and Kitchen" will be sent, postage prepaid, to any lady sending her address name, town and state, plainly given. A copy in German or Scandinavian will be sent if desired. Postal card is as good as letter. Address Price Baking Powder Co., Chicago, Ill.

HEART DISEASE.

Some Facts Regarding the Rapid Increase of Heart Troubles—Do Not be Alarmed, but Look for the Cause.

Heart troubles, at least among the Americans, are certainly increasing and while this may be largely due to the excitement and worry of American business life, it is more often the result of weak stomachs, of poor digestion.

Real organic disease is incurable and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the Sympathetic and Pneumogastric.

In another way, also the heart is affected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart and lungs, interfering with their action; hence arises palpitation and short breath.

Poor digestion also poisons the blood, making it thin and watery, which irritates and weakens the heart.

The most sensible treatment for heart trouble is to improve the digestion and to insure the prompt assimilation of food.

This can be done by the regular use after meals of some safe, pleasant and effective digestive preparation, like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at most drug stores and which contain valuable, harmless digestive elements in a pleasant, convenient form.

It is safe to say that the regular persistent use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at meal time will cure any form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

Full sized package of these tablets sold by druggists at 50 cents. Little book on stomach troubles mailed free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

THE STAGE.

"PUDD'NHEAD WILSON."

Seldom, if ever, were two minds more thoroughly equipped for the production of a great play than those of Mark Twain and the late Frank Mayo, who gave to the stage that splendid play "Pudd'nhead Wilson." From Twain it got its comedy and from Mayo came its dramatic strength and the result is, one of the best though quaintly constructed plays of the modern times. At the Grand tomorrow night.

BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

De Wolf Hopper and Charles Klein, librettist of Mr. Hopper's new comic opera, "The Charlatan," which will be presented at the Grand Monday night, February 27, were driving in Brooklyn a few days ago. When passing the new public library, Hopper scanned the building attentively, and drew up his horses to the curb. There is around this handsome structure a ribbon of marble on which is engraved a number of great names from among the mighty men of old. Hopper read them off: "Seneca, Cicero, Demosthenes, Shakespeare, Addison, Johnson," etc., then he said sadly: "Klein, it is too bad that my press agent wasn't on hand when that building was put up."

"Why?" asked the librettist.

"Why?" replied Hopper, "can't you see that my name is not up there?"

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The invitation extended by Rev. Dr. Gillmore of the Grace M. E. church to the members of Beaumanoir Commandery, No. 9, Knights Templar, to attend services at the Grace church on Easter morning, April 2, in a body, has been accepted by the commandery. There will be a special program of music.

Home from Nebraska.

J. E. Strohm arrived home this morning from Nebraska, where he has been on business for the past two months.

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MILES AND THE CROWS.

The story of the "three black crows" is being re-enacted in the Embalmed Beef Miles case. The reader will recall that in the story of the crows it was stated with great positiveness that a man had thrown up three black crows. Beginning with the one who positively stated that he had unimpeachable evidence that the man had thrown up three black crows he run the story back to its origin, which was that a neighbor had been very sick and had thrown up matter as black as a crow. The yellow journals, determined to embarrass the administration, published all kinds of charges as to neglect of the troops and when General Miles concluded that he was about the proper person to make the would tremble prepared an interview and sought one of the yellow journals as his medium for its publication. The charges were that the troops had been sickened and poisoned with chemically treated beef which he likened to an embalmed body and that it was issued to the troops under the "pretense of experiment." With Miles as authority every yellow journal repeated the story, adding to it until all the beef issued had been poisoned and all the soldiers who died were killed by poisoned beef. The fact that the charges were infamous and disgraceful did not deter them, and Miles, who was evidently pleased with the course of these journals, had not a word of explanation or protest. He, therefore, was as guilty of this infamy as those newspapers—as guilty of propagating these falsehoods as the journals he patronized. Speaking of the present condition in the French republic M. Cornely in the Figaro says the French political arena is "a den of hyenas and jackals." The same can as truly be said of these yellow journals, and Miles and all who aided them in disgracing the country at a time when every honest and patriotic man was proud that he was an American. These proved the hyenas and jackals of the American republic. They did what not one of them would dare to do if this were a monarchy. They took advantage of the liberty of their own country to stab it in the back. It was not the mission of courage. It was the work of men too dishonest to be patriotic.

But what of their slanders? Miles has been brought face to face with his infamous part in the matter. The story of the vomiting of three black crows, told by the yellow journals, has been run down to the author, General Miles, and it turns out it was not three black crows at all but something as black as a crow. Let's see. Miles testifies that he personally knows nothing about bad beef. That his information is at best second handed; that he ate some of the beef himself in Porto Rico and it was palatable; that the complaint touched only canned roast beef; that he was unfortunate in his expression "under pretext of experiment"; that he did not at any time seek to leave the impression that there was any fraud and yet he permitted the yellow journals to go on charging fraud for months, using him as authority and was not moved to deny these stories for his country's good, in all that time. Not until he was brought before a military court of inquiry did he set his country right and only did it then in hope of saving his own worthless hide. He even denies the correctness of the interviews. If he is telling the truth now there never was the slightest reason why he should have published the interviews he did while there was every reason why he should have defended his country against its slanderers if the truth is as he now swears it is. It is evident Miles was too small an American to do this and that he is still too small to command the American army.

The alliance of a few American senators with Agoncillo, the enemy of the United States, to embarrass the administration of President McKinley, is the second event in the history of the country where small Americans have been guilty of such infamy. During Washington's administration a lot of members of Congress allied themselves with a Frenchman named Genet who took umbrage at Washington because he refused to enter into an alliance with France as against England, and engaged in creating sedition and an uprising against Washington. The little Americans of that day became the tools of Genet and actually organized secret political societies after the order of the Jacobins, but Washington outlived the little fellows of that day just as McKinley will outlive the tools of Agoncillo.

Speaker Reed's friends deny that he intends to fight the administration during the remainder of the present session, but they do admit that the speaker is opposed to the president's expansion policy. This is the position assumed by the Democrats, who are doing all they can to the country's honor, to break down the administration in face of the fact that the president has always and does now contend the future of the Philippines rests with Congress. If the speaker is correctly placed by his friends he is aiding to break down the administration. If he were not he would not take this false position.

A member of the Spanish cortes deplores the fact that none of the Spanish generals have been shot for their conduct in the war. Our own little Americans would shoot every American general who won our victories if the conditions were so that they could do it at a profit. This seems harsh but are they not slandering everyone of them and are they not proposing to enlist our enemies, the Filipinos, as soldiers?

Senator Cullom still continues to enjoy the confidence of the people of the state of Illinois, because he has confidence in them and never undertakes to force them in the direction they do not want to go and always yields gracefully to their wishes and serves them well. Aside from this he is with the people on the Hawaiian, Philippine and Porto Rican problems. He is, in short, always an American.

Bryan wants a statue of liberty enlightening the world at Manila. If he can satisfy the people of Nebraska by playing the role of a statue of liberty in the Nebraska capital, the country will be satisfied with Dewey and Otis playing that part in the Philippines. Let William mount the pedestal at Lincoln. Dewey is already on deck at Manila.

If the United States had not attacked the Spaniards at Manila Aguinaldo would have remained bought, yet now he wants to beat the United States out of the possessions and principles he once sold to Spain. There are some American statesmen who call this young sharp a second Wasaington.

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Mrs. Allen Timmons of 1595 North Clayton street, says: For sixteen years, ever since the birth of my first child, my kidneys have troubled me with bearing down pains and sharp shooting ones in the small of my back, which were often so terrible that I was unable to do my work, and frequently I had to stop in the midst of it and get rested, before I could go on and finish it. There was no escape from the excruciating pains I suffered day and night. Learning about Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at a drug store. They did me a wonderful lot of good indeed, for they relieved the pains so much that I am now freer from them than I have been in sixteen years. I am feeling better generally and I can do my work with some degree of comfort. It is a pleasant thing for me to remember Doan's Kidney Pills and to speak well of them to others troubled as I was."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Made by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

Recommended for La Grippe.

N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes: My daughter had a severe attack of la grippe seven years ago and since then whenever she takes cold a terrible cough settles on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. She tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since. 25c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

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If, after an exposure has been made, a piece of coarse canvas is focused and a short supplementary exposure is given on the same plate, the prints resulting will appear to be on canvas.

If your prints have a sandy appearance after coming off the ferrotype plate, cover the ferrotype with a thin coating of a solution composed of benzine, one ounce, and paraffine, ten grains. Rub off with a clean soft cloth and polish.

Too much care cannot be given the lens of your camera, for on its clearness depends the perfection of the picture. See to it that it is kept free from specks and stains, but use only the gentlest means for rendering it perfectly clear at all times. If it should become dimmed with a rusty stain that will not vanish with very mild treatment do not rub the glass harshly, but tell your trouble to some one perfectly competent to put the lens in proper condition.

Photographic freaks sometimes occur that defy explanation. An artist and an old photographer went one Saturday to one of the little lakes in northern Illinois with a new kodak loaded with 18 films, all of which they exposed. On returning home and developing the films—lo, and behold!—there were 18 positives in place of the 18 negatives expected. These freaks were exhibited to a number of professional photographers, but they could offer no reason for the unusual phenomenon.

Here may be a hint for the proper treatment of under-exposed plates. An amateur photographer after working one evening without success to bring up a picture placed the plate in a basin of clear water and left it. The next morning on looking at it he found to his surprise that the plate he had given up had come out better than any of the others. The little developer that had remained in the plate after taking it from the developing bath and the long interval it had lain in the basin of clear water had brought out even the minutest details of the picture.

THE SCHOOL OF LIFE.

Judgment is forced upon us by experience.—Johnson.

Who bravely dares must sometimes risk a fall.—Smollet.

To live is not merely to breathe; it is to act.—Rousseau.

Hearts are stronger than swords.—Wendell Philipps.

A mind without occupation is like a cart without a ball of yarn.—Duffield.

Cleverness is serviceable for everything, sufficient for nothing.—Amiel.

Example is the school of mankind, and they will learn from no other.—Burke.

Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance.—Johnson.

When men are pure, laws are useless; when men are corrupt, they are broken.—Disraeli.

Happiness does away with ugliness, and even makes the beauty of beauty.—Amiel.

Grief is the agony of an instant, the indulgence of grief the blunder of a life.—Disraeli.

Character gives splendor to youth and awe to wrinkled skin and gray hairs.—Emerson.

Do not wait for extraordinary opportunities for good actions, but make use of common situations.—Goethe.

Anger is an expensive luxury, in which only men of a certain income can indulge.—George William Curtis.

WHIR OF THE WHEEL.

At Hotel de Brabant, there is a permanent police exhibition of stolen bicycles.

The population of the world is cut up into two big sections—those who make the pace, and those who hang on.

The most absent-minded man on earth is probably the cyclist who, having carefully brushed his cycle, proceeded to oil his hat.

Dutch cyclists will in the near future have to pay an annual tax of two florins on bicycles and four florins on tandems and multiplets.

"The nickel-plated horse" is the very latest creation of the London press. It may be as well to add that the description is intended for the bicycle.

Andrew Spence is said to be the only missionary cyclist in the world. He travels in California, where he has met with remarkable success in his work.

A Melbourne policeman arrested the governor for riding on the wrong side of the road. He was riding on the right side, but still he was not on the right side owing to the fact that in Australia the "keep to the left" rule prevails.

IN A JEWELER'S WINDOW.

The demand for enameled watches and chatelaine cases continues unabated.

Brooches in the shape of a turtle, with enameled back and diamonds as eyes, are popular.

Coral is again gaining favor in Paris and London. Unique chains and belts in coral are shown.

Handsome designs in match safes and toilet articles of sterling silver, with gold tracings, are shown.

A combination match safe, cigar-cutter and stamp box is one of the latest novelties in sterling silver.

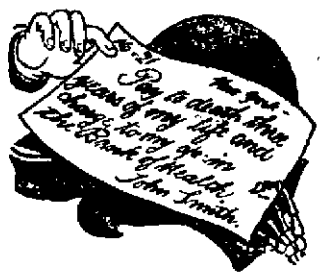
A unique umbrella has a small watch set in the end of the handle. When necessary to rewind it can be taken out by unscrewing the handle.

An eraser is shown in which the sterling silver holder is in the shape of a Mauser cartridge. The rubber represents the bullet. On the other end is fastened a rabbit's foot, which answers the purpose of a brush.—Jeweler's Weekly.

Private bull fights are occasionally given by the very rich people in Madrid, and guests are invited to them as they would be to a dinner.

In New Guinea the single young woman lets her hair hang about her shoulders in all its glory, but immediately after marriage she must have it cut short.

Drink is a noun that many men are unable to decline.



Biliousness, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, disturbed sleep, nervousness, headache, giddiness and drowsiness, wind and pain or fullness of the stomach after meals, cold chills and flushings of heat, shortness of breath—these are the blank cheques of physical bankruptcy. Take them to a physician and he will fill them up with the name of some more or less serious disease. Every time that you carry one of them to him you draw out some of your funds in the Bank of Health. Keep it up, and there will soon be no funds in the treasury.

The man who suffers from these disorders and neglects them will soon be in the relentless grasp of some fatal disease. If he is naturally narrow chested and shallow lunged, it will probably be consumption; if his father or mother died of paralysis or some nervous trouble, it will probably be nervous exhaustion or prostration, or even insanity; if there is a taint in the family blood, it will be blood or skin disease; if he lives in a new or a low, swampy country, it will be malaria; if he lives a life of exposure, it may be rheumatism. There is just one safe course for a man to follow who finds himself out of sorts and suffering from the symptoms described. It is to resort to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This medicine makes the appetite keen, corrects all disorders of the digestion, renders assimilation perfect, invigorates the liver, purifies and enriches the blood and builds firm, healthy flesh and nerve tissue. It cures almost all diseases that result from insufficient or improper nourishment of the brain and nerves. Bronchial, throat, and even lung affections, when not too far advanced, readily yield to it.

"I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for Eczema," writes J. W. Barnhart, of No. 45 De Witt Street, Buffalo, N. Y., "and it completely cured me."

Summer and Winter Clouds.

Many must have noticed that in winter time the sky seems to lack the roominess and lofty arching of summer. It appears on cloudy, or partially cloudy, days to be nearer the earth than is the case on similar days during the summer months. That this appearance is no figment of the imagination is shown by recent investigations made at the Upsala observatory on the elevation of clouds. It is found that all varieties of clouds float at a much greater altitude in summer than in winter. The months of greatest elevation, at least in Sweden, are June and July.—Youth's Companion.

Oysters and the Great Salt Lake.

The suggestion that oysters might be cultivated at the mouths of streams emptying into the Great Salt lake has led to a careful examination by Dr. H. F. Moore, of the United States fish commission. The lake itself is too salt for oysters, but it was thought that in bays and arms, where fresh water enters, the salinity might be reduced to a point suitable for oysters, clams, crabs and similar animals used for food. The investigation renders it doubtful if the supply of fresh water is regular enough for the purpose.—Youth's Companion.

Short Lesson in English.

A tiresome caller who had spent the evening at the home of a friend, a young lady, and had devoted nearly all the time to a description of a trip to Europe, from which he had recently returned, said to her, as he rose to go:

"I beg pardon for being so talkative. I fear my story about my adventures abroad has entertained you but illy."

"On the contrary," she replied, politely, "it has entertained me quite welly."—Youth's Companion.

That Was How.

"I saw Mr. Polygon to-day, mamma," said little Miss Bellefield.

"Mr. Polygon? I don't know anybody of that name," replied Mrs. Bellefield.

"You know the gentleman that called day before yesterday?"

"His name isn't Polygon. It's Briggs. How did you come to think it was Polygon?"

"Why, mamma, you said yourself that he was a many-sided man."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

His Place.

Cannibal King—Ha, we're in luck. We bagged you just in time for our big banquet.

Chappie Chatterton—You—you aren't r-really g-going to m-make a m-meal of m-me?

"Meal? Oh, dear, no. But as an entree you'll be delicious."—N. Y. World.

Safe for Once.

Mr. Grumble—I see by the paper that Mount Vesuvius is in eruption.

Mrs. Grumble—Oh, I'm so glad!

"There you are again, Maria. Now, why on earth should you be so glad?"

"Well, you can't blame me for it; that's all."—Punch.

How It Is.

She—It has always struck me as a curious thing that we don't hear more anecdotes about doctors and their patients.

He—You forget, madam, that dead men tell no tales.—N. Y. World.

Obliterated Identity.

"Did you send any of Jimmy's cast-off toys to the children's hospital?"

"No; when Jimmy gets through with his toys you wouldn't know they had ever been toys."—Detroit Free Press.

As Some Men Look at It.

"They say misfortune never comes singly," said Smith, disconsolately.

"That's right," replied Jones. "It's the married people that have the trouble."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Otherwise Occupied.

She—Do you think love makes the world go round?

He—No; true love hasn't time to attend to such trifles.—Puck.

An Observation.

Poverty is no disgrace, but it is seldom used as a testimonial of ability.—Chicago Daily News.

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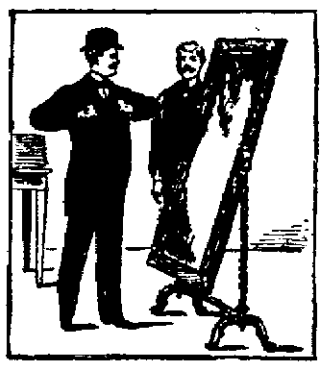

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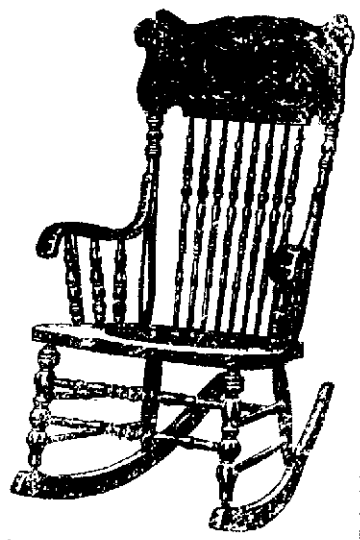

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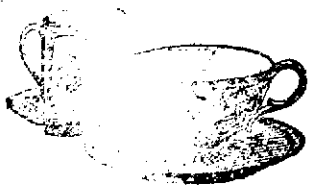

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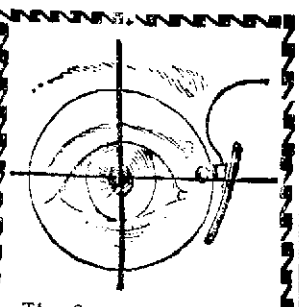

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SETH LOW

Washington Birthday Orator at Philadelphia To-Day.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., February 22.—Washington's birthday was celebrated with appropriate exercises under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania. The orator of the occasion was Seth Low, president of Columbia University.

CAUGHT AT LAST

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ford was arrested. He was released on his own recognizance and ordered to appear before Justice Hardy at 9 a. m. Friday.

FOURTH WARD GHOST.

Mrs. William Towne, the woman who was formerly known as the Fourth Ward Ghost, came to police headquarters last night. She had a complaint to make against her husband and also had a big revolver. The officers induced her to wait until morning and swear out a warrant and had her leave the revolver. This morning she swore out the warrant and Deputy Sheriff Wilson arrested Towne. He was released on his own recognizance and will appear before Justice Hardy at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

THE WEATHER---COLD WAVE.

CHICAGO, February 22.—Illinois: Threatening weather, with snow in the extreme north this afternoon and possibly tonight; Thursday fair, decidedly colder, with a cold wave; brisk northwest winds.

MRS. MURPHEY AT HOME.

Charming Martha Washington Reception in Honor of Guests.

One of the prettiest and most delightful social events given in honor of George Washington's birthday anniversary was the reception given by Mrs. Joseph M. Murphey from 2 to 5 this afternoon at her home at 419 South Main street in honor of her guests, the Misses Gertrude Alsup of Leroy and Nanette Trnax of Bloomington, and Miss Margaret Murphey of this city. The rooms were decorated in patriotic style for the occasion. Huge flags were draped over the doorways, mantles, arches, along the staircase railing and over the windows. The chandeliers were decorated with bunches of tiny flags. In the dining room the window draperies were looped with red white and blue ribbon. The table with its white cloth was placed in the center of the room directly beneath the chandelier and garlands of red, white and blue were draped from the chandelier to the four corners of the table and salads, potato chips, etc., were served in tiny receptacles of red, white and blue. The room was in charge of the Misses Imboden, who were costumed in quaint old fashioned Martha Washington gowns, their appearance contributing much to the historic effect of the room.

Miss Mina Nicholson received the guests at the door and Mrs. Murphey and her guests of honor stood just inside the parlor to welcome them. Miss Julia Nicholson dispensed bon bons and dainty souvenirs, Washington hatchets tied with tiny red, white and blue ribbons.

An object of especial interest was an old and tattered flag which was draped over the railings of the stairway. It was the flag carried to Springfield at the time of the celebration in honor of Lincoln's inauguration and shows faded writing, which was the work of Lincoln himself. It was the property of the late 'Squire Fuller and was the first large flag ever carried in Decatur.

CHECKING UP.

Fees and Salaries Committee Began Work on County Officers' Books.

The members of the fees and salaries committee of the board of supervisors today began the work of checking up the books of ex-County Treasurer Patterson. The work will probably occupy several days and the books of the ex-sheriff will likely next be taken up. The committee is composed of Supervisors Draper, Rucker, Hockaday, Hays and Allen.

At Harristown.

A. H. Mills, P. P. Laughlin, Miss Lulu Laughlin, Miss Elizabeth Whitehurst and other Sunday school workers attended the Sunday school normal convention at Harristown today. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Augustine went over on the afternoon train for the evening session. Mr. Augustine will have charge of the singing this evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Funk who have been in Europe for the past five months, will sail from Cherbourgh on March 1 on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and will arrive in Decatur about March 15.

—The children of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Baum, who have been ill with scarlet fever, are rapidly improving.

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Emperor William's Mail.

The emperor of Germany has a little post office of his own, with officials detailed especially to handle the voluminous matter that comes every day addressed to him. All letters are classified under the three heads, "Private," "Official," and "Immediate." Private letters are handed over to the emperor unopened, while those marked "Official" land in the civil cabinet of the kaiser if they contain petitions by civilians, while those of a military character go to the military cabinet. Chiefs of these two departments make all the necessary inquiries regarding the communications and then prepare the answers in accordance with the regulations for official letters. These answers are taken to the emperor, who expresses his approval by affixing his signature. Answers are then dispatched by special messengers to their destination. The messengers used in this service are the most trustworthy men who can be found.—N. Y. Herald.

Dewey Did It.

A Sunday school teacher, a pretty miss, with snapping black eyes and rosy cheeks, was catechising her class. The boys did not know much, and she wished to learn just how much, so as to enable her to lay her plans for their future instruction.

"Tommy," speaking to a fat young rascal with a marked unwillingness to learn anything good, "who slew the Philistines?"

"Dewey," he responded, unconcernedly, as though that were something a babe ought to know.

"Now, Tommy, you ought to know better than that. Tell me, some one, who slew the Philistines?"

"Samson," piped up a little treble from the corner.

"Ah, gwan, watcher givin' us?" growled the big boy at the far end. "Sampson wasn't there at all. Schley did the trick."—Detroit Free Press.

Analyzing an Electric Spark.

The electric spark is not as simple as it appears. A German electrician has found that each spark is preceded by several brush discharges from both poles, each successive brush extending further outward until the gap is bridged and the spark passes. The spark discharge is complex, being made up of several partial discharges, of which the first is strongest. The preliminary brush discharges usually appear as appendages of the spark, and as they are seen in lightning photographs it is probable that lightning is preceded by pilot brush discharges.—Chicago Chronicle.

Women's Skulls the Cheaper.

A medical student is authority for the statement that women's skulls command a much lower price than those of men. "It is possible," he says, "to obtain the skull of a woman for $1.50, while that of a man cannot be had for less than two dollars. The reason why? Well, a woman's skull, as a rule, is considerably smaller than a man's. It is said to be imperfectly developed; it is an inferior specimen of the article and altogether less useful to science; hence its lower market value."—Chicago Chronicle.

Infallible.

An eloquent Detroit preacher tells this among his early experiences in a rural parish. One of his parishioners was very ill, and finally sent for the minister, who found the man rather reticent, and finally asked if there was anything he could do.

"Parson," was the answer, "sleep would make me well, but the doctor can't make me sleep. I wondered if you'd preach me that long sermon I heard last July."—Detroit Free Press.

A Ranch That Pastures 120,000 Cattle.

The X. I. T. ranch, in the extreme northwest corner of the Panhandle of Texas, the largest ranch in the world, has an area of 5,000 square miles. Its herds of cattle aggregate 120,000 head, beside 1,500 horses, and the calf crop branded in 1897 exceeded 31,000. Surprising as it may seem, all the work on the ranch is done by 125 men, one man to every 24,000 acres.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Childhood's Innocent Ways.

Younger Sister—Why did you tell Mr. Caligain how old I am?

Elder Sister—You're too young for that to make any difference. Now, it would be different if you were to tell him my age."

"Well, I didn't. I only told him you were ten years older than I am."—Stray Stories.

Catering to Their Taste.

First Dear Girl—This is Grace Darling's sixth season, yet look how many admirers she has.

Second Dear Girl—Yes. I'm getting to believe that men like everything well seasoned.—San Francisco Examiner.

A Feminine View.

Kate—So Carrie is to be married? I suppose she is very happy?

Ruth—Happy? I should say so! Mr. Fixton, her fiance, doesn't amount to much, but her trousseau is just elegant.—Boston Transcript.

A Curious Burmese Idea.

The Burmese have a curious idea regarding coins. They prefer those which have female heads on them, believing that coins with male heads on them are not so lucky and do not make money.—Albany Argus.

Burglary Unprofitable in London.

Burglary no longer pays in London. The police reports for last year show that the whole fraternity of burglars earned only $96,000.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Fixed on to Him.

Angry Father—How dare you show your face here again?

Persistent Suitor—Because I could not leave it at home. — Illustrated American.

The Proper Way.

Benny Dictus—What do you do when your wife cries for money?

Wellwed—Oh, I have a way of applying a check to her tears.—N. Y. World.

Lake City Revival.

Rev. C. P. Hard is conducting a very successful revival at the Methodist church at Lake City. There have been 30 accessions to the church lately.

Meetings each day at 2:30 and 7:30. All invited. Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night.

The West India humming bird weighs only 30 grains.

Arctic animals turn white every winter.

Misjudged His Audience.

A story is told of an English conjurer who was performing before a rough-and-ready audience in Kentucky.

"I am now about to undertake a feat," he said, "in which I shall require the temporary loan of a pint flask of whisky."

There was a dead silence.

"Will some gentleman in the audience favor me with a pint flask of whisky?"

There was no response, and the conjuror began to look blank. "Surely," he said, "in a southeastern Kentucky town I ought not to have to ask a second time for such a thing. I will give you my word I will return it uninjured. Is there no—"

"Stranger," said a tall, gaunt man, as he rose slowly from a front seat, "wouldn't a quart flask do just as well?"

"Why, certainly; I merely—"

But before he could finish the generous, open-handed audience had risen like one man and was on its way down to the platform in a body.—London Tit-Bits.

Drug Store Names.

Oil of vitriol is not an oil.

Copperas is an iron salt and contains no copper.

Salts of lemon has nothing to do with a lemon, but is a salt of the extremely poisonous oxalic acid.

Soda water contains no soda.

Sulphuric ether contains no sulphur.

Sugar of lead has nothing to do with sugar, nor has cream of tartar anything to do with cream.

Oxygen means "the acid generator," but hydrogen is really the essential element, and many acids contain no oxygen.

German silver contains no silver, and black lead contains no lead.

Berberine is usually made from hydrastis canadensis.

Milk of lime has no milk.

Quicksilver is pure mercury.

Oil of origanum is made from thyme and not from origanum.—Golden Days.

Lots of Brothers.

"Yes," said the principal of the young ladies' seminary to the proud parent, "you ought to be very happy, my dear sir, to be the father of so large a family, all the members of which appear to be so devoted to one another."

"Devoted! Large family!" gasped the old gentleman in amazement. "What on earth do you mean, ma'am?"

"Why, yes, indeed," said the principal, beaming through her glasses, "no fewer than eleven of Gussie's brothers have been here this winter to take her out, and she tells me she expects the tall one with the blue eyes again tomorow."—Tit-Bits.

Heights to Which Birds Fly.

Very few people realize at what tremendous heights birds sometimes traverse the air. Herons and wild ducks, geese and swans, when traveling long distances, fly at greater heights, often as much as 2,000 feet. But it is the hawk, and more particularly the vulture tribe, that constantly wing the air at far greater limits than these. The common buzzard spies for carrion suspended a mile above the earth, and the great condor of the Andes has been watched through a powerful telescope floating at the amazing height of 27,000 feet, over five miles above the sea level.—Chicago Chronicle.

Tripe in Batter.

Wipe tripe and cut in pieces for serving. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, dip in batter, fry in a small quantity of hot fat and drain. Tripe batter is made by mixing one cupful of flour with one-quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, add gradually one-half cupful of cold water, and when perfectly smooth add one egg, well beaten, one-half teaspoonful vinegar and one teaspoonful olive oil or melted butter.—Farm and Home.

Some Casuistry.

The captive sneered with a lofty fortitude quite in keeping with his precarious position.

"Tyrant," he exclaimed, "I deny thy right! The earth is the Lord's!"

"Very true," replied the monarch, with a smile, "but I'm the janitor, don't you see!"

Casuistry is more useful to a despot than almost anything else he can learn in school.—Detroit Journal.

Few Murders in China.

Murders are not frequent in China; there are more suicides. The ancient custom of seeking vengeance by slaying one's own self on the doorstep of the enemy is not practiced, except in some of the less enlightened portions, but there is, nevertheless, a much larger amount of self-destruction than in America.—Washington Star.

An Afterthought.

Mrs. Goadley—It would be a good thing for you if you thought twice before speaking once.

Mr. Goadley—It's too late now. I should have pursued that plan before I proposed to you.—San Francisco Examiner.

An Immune.

Biggs—How is your daughter coming on with her music?

Boggs—I don't know whether she is improving or whether I am getting used to it, but I can stay in the house now while she is practicing.—Puck.

Ready for Anything.

"There are ways and ways of breaking the ice," said the diner-out. "I once took a girl out to dinner whose first remark to me was: 'Do you talk or listen?'"—Illustrated American.

In Chicago.

Ella—Fred says he loves the very ground I walk on.

Stella—He'd love you enough if he loved simply the ground you stand on.—N. Y. World.

A Distinction.

The down of a peach is preferable to the "down" of a banana-skin.—Chicago Daily News.

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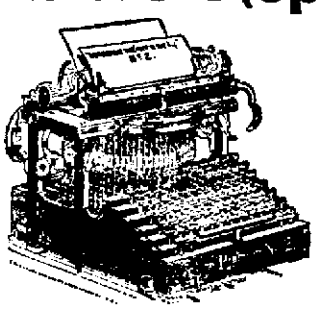

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A FRESH LIEUTENANT.

How Gen. Sumner Turned the Tables on an Obstreperous Subaltern at Santiago.

A young second lieutenant, who had been graduated from the first class a couple of months before the regular graduation at West Point, had just joined his regiment, and was walking down the street near the palace, says a writer on Santiago in Leslie's Weekly. He stopped on the corner, and as he did so an old grizzled soldier with a growth of beard on his face and with a cavalry sergeant's stripe on his breeches, a blue shirt, and campaign hat, but with no other mark of rank about his uniform, except his sergeant's stripe, walked slowly down and stopped in out of the lieutenant, looking around at the different buildings. The young officer fidgeted a few moments under the manner in which the trooper ignored his proximity, and finally turned on him and said, sharply: "Here, you man, did anyone ever teach you how to salute?" "Yes, sir," drawled the trooper, as he glanced at the youngster. "Well, knock your heels together," said the young officer, and the trooper came to attention with the precision of an old soldier. "Now salute," he said, and the trooper's gauntlet came to the rim of his hat and staid there until the young lieutenant answered it, at the same time demanding: "Now, remember this, and don't let this happen again. What is your name, and what do you belong to?" Without relaxing his position from attention the old trooper again respectfully saluted, and remarked dryly: "My name is Samuel Sumner, and I'm brigadier general of the cavalry brigade," whereupon the young lieutenant proceeded to copy as many colors of the rainbow with his face as was possible, and slipped away as soon as he dared, forgetting even to apologize.

A GLIMPSE AT HIMSELF.

A Reflective Man of Mature Years Sees a Strangely Familiar Face in a Mirror.

"Here," said the man of mature years, according to the New York Sun, "was an experience that I fancy others have had. You know we don't realize the change in our own appearance as the years go by; we feel young, all right, and imagine that we look so, and never realize that we don't. But coming down from an upper story of a tall building in an elevator the other day, and thinking of something else, I happened to see a face in a mirror in the side of the car.

"It had a curious interest for me, somehow. It was the face of a man of middle age, tolerably well preserved, but with hair pretty gray and with marks at the outer corners of his eyes showing where the crow had stepped on him; lightly, to be sure, but the marks of crow's feet, nevertheless; the face of a man of years. But, old and gray, the most curious and fascinating thing about it was its striking resemblance to my own. This was almost startling; but a moment later, when I looked at it I saw a slight turn of my own head reproduced with a corresponding movement by the head in the mirror. I realized that what I saw was indeed a reflection of my own face; and that for a moment I had seen myself as I was.

"But when I got home I looked in the glass there. And did I see any middle aged folks now? Not by a jugful! I saw the man I wanted to see. A little gray, perhaps? Yes! a little gray. Crowfeet? Yes, if you want to call 'em so. I'm no spring chicken. I don't set out to be that, that is, not this spring's, but I'm a young man, still, for all that; and I'm going to remain so for many years to come, despite what the mirror in the elevator said."

TIMING A RAILWAY TRAIN.

There Are Several Ways of Ascertaining the Speed It Is Making.

Not one person in a hundred has any idea of the speed of a train, and even a large percentage of the regular trainmen cannot tell with any degree of accuracy. Engineers use their driving wheel as a gauge. They know its circumference, and by counting its revolutions within a certain time can tell very accurately the speed at which they are running.

A favorite method of timing among passengers is to count the telegraph poles. As a rule these poles are planted 30 to the mile, but in prairie countries, where only a single wire is used, the number diminishes to 25, so that rule will not always work. The most accurate method, and the one most in use by experienced railroad men, is to count the number of rail joints the train passes over in 20 seconds. The rails on nearly all roads are 30 feet in length, and the number passed over in 20 seconds is the speed per hour a train is running.

For instance, if a passenger can count 30 clicks on a rail joint in 20 seconds, the train is running at a speed of 30 miles an hour. Actually, this method falls a little short, as in the example given above the speed would be nearer 31 than 30 miles, but it is near enough for all practical purposes.

Bill Blue and His Engine.

The Philadelphia Record tells of a railway engineer named William Blue, who was master of locomotive No. 2. One of the flues in the boiler of his pet engine blew up and he was stalled, blocking the main line. His report to the division superintendent was unwittingly as follows: "Engine two blew out a flue; wat'll I do? Bill Blue." In 20 minutes Bill got this answer: "Bill Blue: You plug the flue in engine two and pull her through in time to get out of the way of twenty-two."

La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Shepard, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Eldon, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

A smart man has no more use for beauty than a handsome man has for brains.

Where Age Is Looked Up To.

The parents' word is always law in Japan, and perhaps this accounts for the sweetness and gentleness of the Japanese character. The Japanese are inherently an obedient people. The old always take precedence of the young in all things. An eager, impetuous young man, be he ever so brilliant and clever, is not expected in Japan to have the reason, the wisdom and the foresight of an old man. Therefore the old man comes first always. As a result, there is, perhaps, more general happiness in Japan than anywhere else in the world. One might imagine that where duty is carried to the extent it is in Japan the natural love is not so much in evidence—I mean the actual affection, rather than the mere duty, of a child to its parent. On the contrary, the natural bond of affection between parents and children is nowhere so wonderful as in Japan. No matter how unkind, unjust or even wicked the parent may be, or how depraved, the child invariably clings to that parent, even though, as is often the case, its own nature be finer.—Onoto Watanna, in Ladies' Home Journal.

Hindoos Vaccinated.

A distinction must be made between inoculation for the prevention or mitigation of smallpox, and vaccination, which is the grafting of cowpox, as a protection against the severer malady. Inoculation was practiced by Turks, Greeks, Syrians and Circassians long before Lady Mary Wortley Montague brought it to England. It was after this that Jenner made his so-called discovery of vaccination or inoculation with virus from the cow instead of from the human subject. There is, however, not the slightest doubt that true vaccination in this sense was long ago known to and practiced by the Hindoos as a preventive smallpox, because distinct references are found to it in Hindoo medical treatises which are certainly several centuries old.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

B. Presson, Pressonville, Kan., writes Jan. 25th, 1899: "Nothing like Foley's Honey and Tar" is the universal verdict of all who have used it. Especially has this been true of coughs accompanying and succeeding la grippe. Not a single bottle failed to give almost immediate relief. Everybody recommends it. Ship order at once, only have one bottle left. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Is truth a fantasy which we are to pursue forever and never grasp?—Hawthorne.

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Sloth is the tempter that beguiles and expels from Paradise.—A. Bronson Alcott.

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It might be well for girls to remember that willful waste brings woeful want of desirable husbands.

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In Persia a bonfire plays an important part in the marriage ceremony, the service being read over in front of it.

What a Prominent Kentuckian Says.

W. L. Yancy, Paduca, writes: I had a severe case of Kidney disease and three of the best physicians of southern Kentucky treated me without success. I was induced to try Foley's Kidney Cure. The first bottle gave immediate relief and three bottles cured me permanently. I gladly recommend this wonderful remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Germany's Four Sorts of "Wives."

Germany has also its "ladies" and "gentlemen" question at the present moment, controversy having arisen with regard to the style which should be adopted in addressing married ladies. There are four names by which a man's better half may be described in the language of the Vaterland—viz.: Gemahlin (consort), gattain (spouse), frau (lady) and weib (wife). To save the frequent disputes and heartburnings arising from ignorance or impertinence in the use of any of these forms, it is proposed that these shall be officially attached to the recognized gradations of the social scale. Thus, a general's wife would be addressed as "his consort," the partner of an official of a certain rank as "his spouse," the middle class wife would be addressed as her husband's "lady," and the workman's helpmate would be simply his "wife."—London Chronicle.

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RHYMES AND JINGLES.

Where Is God?

Oh, where does God abide?
I asked the lily, and her petal tips
Slow parted their white, smiling lips
As softly she replied:
"In me He dwells. Lo, that sweet perfume rare,
Which thou inhalest from my heart, is there
Because He there does hide."

Oh, where may God be found?
I asked the storm to tell me if it knew,
And thund'rous it replied, as on it flew:
"Hear how His steps resound
Within my hurtling heart. Lo, down is trod
The bush, and beat the branch, because thy God
Along this way is found."

Oh, where does God belong?
I asked the restless, surging mass of men.
Like sound of mighty sea came answer then:
"Behold, not angels' song,
Or spheral music vast, speaks God at hand
As does the moan and laugh in every land
Of God's great human throng."

Oh, where does God not dwell?
Of not a single far-off solitude,
Where God's sweet presence does not bide and brood,
Can earth or Heaven tell!
In deepest desert may God's Jacob sleep;
E'en there God's ladder rests, that He may keep
His tender vigil well!
—Louis M. Waterman, in Youth's Companion.

The Man Who Kicks.

Hear the man who mourns to-day
For a haven far away
In some far-off southern clime,
Where it's summer all the time—
Hear him rave!
Hear him storm and fret and fume,
As, ensconced in some warm room,
He expostulates against the frigid wave—
Hear him blow
Hear him go
On as if he of all mortals here below
Were the only one to know
What it is to have a frozen ear or toe.

Mark the man who mourns to-day,
Who has naughty things to say
Of the one up in the tower
Who brings on the shine or shower—
Mark him well!
For when summer comes again,
With its scorching moments, then
He that murmurs now will long to go and dwell
Where there's no
Lack of snow,
Where the icy winds of winter ever blow;
For this citizen, you know,
Never finds things to his liking here below.
—Chicago Daily News.

The Country Volunteer.

"He wuz gruff an' rough an' ready—
Wuz our country soldier Joe,
An' he'd handle of his rifle
Like he'd handle of his hoe;
An' he wan't the kind of soldier
That the women try to smile,
But you just had ought to seen him
When the bugle sounded—fight!

"He wuz long an' lean an' lanky—
Wuz our country soldier Joe,
An' he'd shoot the practice target
Like he'd shoot a thievin' crow;
An' there warn't one inch of beauty
In his clumsy rawbone height,
But you just had ought to seen him
When the bugle sounded—fight!

"He wuz slim an' slow an' stupid—
Wuz our country soldier Joe,
An' he'd rick a heap of canvas
Like he'd rick a medder mow;
An' he wan't much good in drillin'—
On parade he wuz a fright,
But you just had ought to seen him—
When the bugle sounded—fight!"
—Victor A. Hermann, in Atlanta Constitution.

A Sonnet.

"To be and not to do!" To idly lie
With feeble, nerveless hands that try in vain
To use the winged hours that hurry by—
The golden hours that ne'er can come again.
Oh, great and unsolved mystery of pain,
Which dulls the music of Time's busy loom,
And twists Life's threads into a complex skein,
And fills the sunny world with sunless gloom!

Hush, hush! in patience still possess thy soul,
Till the clear shining comes which follows rain;
When all Life's broken threads shall be made whole,
And what was counted loss prove truest gain.
Then let the lips that murmured smile and say:
"The path of suffering was the perfect way!"
—E. Matheson, in Chambers' Journal.

A Sailor Once Again.

For rather more than thirty years
Our uncle's been ashore,
And Stars and Stripes have absent been
Where often seen before.
But soon our ships, just as of old,
Will every sea explore,
Our Uncle Sam's
A sailor once again!

The Yellow Sea, the Red, the Black,
The China and the White
Shall often see the Flag that flew
O'er Santiago's fight;
And all the nations of the earth
Shall learn—and learn aright—
That Uncle Sam is
A sailor once again!

And though he's been so long ashore
He's quite at home at sea;
And quite as quick to trade as fight
He'll surely prove to be.
"Let cargo follow cruisers close
All round the world," say we,
"Now Uncle Sam's
A sailor once again!"
—N. Y. Sun.

The Other Side of the Story.

Oh, the snow, the beautiful snow!
It's an old, sad story which well we know
It covers the sidewalk, it covers the trees,
It waits for a thaw and invites a freeze,
It gives you the shivers, it gives you the grippe;
If you step out doors you are sure to slip.
Scooting, skimming, skipping away,
It frolics along in its ruthless play.

Oh, the snow, the beautiful snow!
You take your shovel and meekly go
To clean the walk, as you ought to do
You tackle the drift and you plow it through,
Little by little, stroke by stroke,
You toil till your back is nearly broke;
Digging, scraping till all is o'er
Then the sky clouds up and it snows some more.
—Washington Star.

Love by the Heaveth.

When the wind on the shutter taps,
And the moon sheds an icy light,
And the snowdrifts lose their caps
In a little swirl of white.

When the passers' footsteps creak,
And the stove and the chimney cry,
And we hear the gable shriek
As the sift of the cold goes by.

Then, love, to the cheery coals
We'll draw our chairs, and say:
"Winter for wedded souls;
For the youth and the maiden, May."
—Madame, London.

The fool's advice may be poor, but it is at least sincere.

A man can gain more practical experience from poverty in 10 days than he can from riches in 10 years.

Trifles make up the happiness or the misery of mortal life.—Alex Smith.

Woe unto him that is never alone and can not bear to be alone.—Hamerton.

WHAT THE LAW DECIDES.

Condemnation of leased premises, without actual eviction, is held, in Rhode Island Hospital Trust company vs. Hayden (R. I.), 42 L. R. A. 107, insufficient to relieve the tenant from liability.

The fact that the mortagor or occupant of mortgaged premises has become insane is held, in Lundberg vs. Davidson (Minn.), 42 L. R. A. 103, insufficient to suspend the power of sale in the mortgage.

The liability of a landowner for the defective condition of that part of a division fence which, by agreement, the other proprietor was bound to keep in repair, is denied by Quinn vs. Crimmings (Mass.) 42 L. R. A. 101.

A condition on the delivery of a note to the payee or his agent, that it shall take effect only when signed by another person, is held, in Hurt vs. Ford (Mo.), 41 L. R. A. 823, ineffectual, but the delivery is deemed absolute.

The word "claim" in a statute respecting actions against the state is held, in Northwestern and P. H. bank vs. state (Wash.), 42 L. R. A. 33, to be equivalent to "cause of action," and therefore to include an action contesting the priority of a lien in favor of the state.

The doctrine which holds railroad companies liable for injuries to children playing on turntables which are left unguarded is denied, in Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad company vs. Reich (N. J.), 41 L. R. A. 831. The conflicting decisions on this subject are reviewed by the court.

The receipt by an agent from his insurance company of a policy to be unconditionally delivered to the applicant is held, in New York Life Insurance company vs. Babcock (Ga.), 42 L. R. A. 99, to be equivalent to a delivery to the insured himself under a contract making delivery essential to its validity.

SOME LATE INVENTIONS.

Bolts of cloth can be measured without unrolling by using a simple device, having a ball of twine held in a handled pocket, with a small hollow spindle extending from one side of the pocket, to be started at one end of the roll of cloth and unwind the cord as it passes around the bolt.

Incandescent mantles are protected from breaking by a new anti-vibration attachment, consisting of a number of arms extending vertically from the bottom of the burner to support a ring at the top of the lamp, the connection to the mantle being formed by hair springs to prevent shocks.

Lawn-mower knives can be sharpened without removing from the machine by using a new attachment, having a grinding stone set in the face of a wooden bar, to be clamped to the guide bar on the mower, with screws to adjust it at the right angle to place an edge on the knives as they revolve.

A tobacco pipe has been patented which has two bowls formed in a single square block, with a hole in each side for the insertion of the pipestem, the bowls being used alternately, so that the heat from one dries the other out and causes a current of fresh air to pass through it.

Pens can be adjusted at any desired angle in a new holder, which has the pen socket mounted on a ball set in a clamping head, so it can be moved in the position desired and held fast by turning a screw at the opposite end of the holder to lock the jaws in the head.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

To keep lemons fresh, put them in cold water and change the water every day.

If any foreign substance is swallowed which is sharp—a needle, for instance—do not give an emetic, but confine the diet to mashed potatoes for two days.

For a very bad burn melt beeswax, and into it pour sweet oil until it makes a salve which can be readily spread with a soft brush. Keep every part covered with the salve.

Artificial heat of all kinds is damaging to household furnishings. It not only cracks the leather, but the paste. A large bowl of water placed in a room containing books, will moisten the air sufficiently to prevent the drying of the leather.

A florist advises that when palms have been recently repotted, they should not be kept at once in a very warm room. They thrive better in a cooler place for a few weeks, so as to become gradually acclimatized to increased heat, while they do not need, according to the same authority, so much water when freshly repotted. The care of what are called drawing-room plants, in gas-lighted houses, is at the best a serious one, and is not always repaid by thrifty growths.

VARIOUS NOTES OF INTEREST.

The soap of the queen's household costs nearly £500 a year.

A total number of 976 charities collected last year in London the sum of £6,297,291.

St. Petersburg is to be connected by a fortnightly steamer line with Cologne and other cities on the Rhine.

Victims of diphtheria, according to a state law of Iowa, must be buried eight hours after death, and, when possible, the funeral must take place at night.

The tenacity of life in Jewish children born in the United States is indicated by the statement that only 217 in every 1,000 Jews die before they are seven years of age; while over double that number of Christian children—453 in each 1,000—die before they have attained their seventh year.

The life of an editor in Servia is not a delightful one. Within the last two years a weekly paper in Belgrade has had 16 editors. Fifteen of them are in jail for too keenly commenting upon government affairs; and the sixteenth has just been hustled off to join them for the same offense.

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[illegible] NESBITT, Editor.

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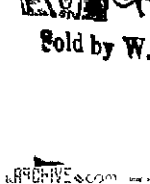

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3. First Saturday in June,
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Estate of William H. Davis, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed administrator of the estate of William H. Davis, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon County, at the court house in Decatur, at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1899.

J. FRANK DAVIS, Administrator.

Redmon & Hogan, attorneys for administrator feb 22d30d

Administrator's Notice.

To All Whom it May Concern:

Take notice that the undersigned, administrator, De Bonus Non of the estate of David Garver, deceased, with will annexed will apply to the county court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, at the next March term thereof, to be holden at the court house, in said county, on the thirteenth day of March next, for leave to compound or sell all the desperate claims debts and demands whatsoever due the estate of the said David Garver, deceased, which accrued in his life time. DAVID M GARVER,

Administrator De Bonus Non.

feb 22-d2w

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Samuel C. Allen, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Samuel C. Allen, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 1st day of February, 1899.

EDWIN G. ALLEN, Executor.

feb 2-d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Elizabeth McDonald, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Elizabeth McDonald, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1899

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Estate of Abbie M. Hatch, Deceased

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Abbie M Hatch late of the county of Macon, and state of Illinois deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur at the April term on the first Monday in April next at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned

Dated this 18th day of February 1899.

Feb 18-d8w D L BUNN Executor

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual stockholders meeting of the Decatur Plumbing & Heating Company will be held at their office, 237 North Main street on Wednesday March 1, 1899 at 2 p m

Feb 15-d7d O W DAWSON, Sec'y

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of William M. Catto, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of William M Catto late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the April term on the first Monday in April next at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1899

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People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

HELP WANTED—Ladies to make bandages at home for large surgical house; earn $15 weekly, enclose addressed stamped envelope for reply. Marshall & Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 530 Wabash ave, telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct13-d1f,

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 303. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-d1f

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FOR RENT.—Cottage of three rooms, two closets, cellar and porches, well, cistern and outhouses, situated at 1017 West Howard street, Wise addition. Inquire at 645 West Wood street. 17-d 6*

FOR RENT—The elegant home at 437 North Main street. Rent reasonable For particulars apply on premises, or address E D Bartholomew, care Grand Leader, St. Louis, Mo. 16-d6

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FOR SALE—I expect to move to the country in the spring Will sell my grocery and meat market reasonable for cash. A snap for some one with small capital. JOHN PENIWELL, 577 West Main street.

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A BARGAIN—FOR SALE—$6 000 stock dry goods shoes, furnishings, queensware. Choice location, rent reasonable, insurance low, trade well established, best city on earth Will sell half interest or all But little capital needed. Address "JUNO," Joplin, Mo. 16-d6*

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BICYCLE REPAIRING at reasonable prices Punctures repaired for 25c. J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square. Aug 5-d1f

NASHVILLE, Ill., Sept. 9, 1891.

Office of Rev. J. C. Orr, pastor M. E. Church. Gentlemen

Enclosed find draft for $5. Please send by return mail $5 worth of Cerrodanle Capsules The medicine you have been sending the last three times is for an old lady who has been afflicted with Rheumatism for a number of years. She is so much improved that she can do her work, and last Sunday walked four squares to church, a thing she has not been able to do for a year. Present address Lawrenceville, Ill.

Yours truly, J. C. Orr.

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PUMPS, PUMPS, PUMPS, PUMPS, And FIRE PROOF SAFES GEO. M. WOOD. Aug 6-d&wtf 145 South Water st.

HARRY A. POOLE, MILK DEPOT, Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry. Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street Decatur Ill. Jan 24-d1f

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc, in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-d1f

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicles insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-d1f

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CHANCERY NOTICE.

State of Illinois, Macon County, ss

In the Circuit Court of said county—To the May Term, A. D 18[illegible]

James H Legans vs Mary Legans—In Chancery—Divorce.

Affidavit of the non residence of Mary Legans the defendant in the above entitled cause having been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county notice is hereby given to the said Mary Legans that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in the said court, on the chancery side thereof which suit is now pending, that a summons issued thereupon out of the said court against the above named defendant returnable on the first day of the next May term of the said court to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur in the said county of Macon on the second Monday of May A D 1899 Unless you the said Mary Legans shall be and appear on the first day of the said term of the said court and plead answer or demur to the said bill of complaint the same will be taken as confessed and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof

Dated this 15th day of February A D 1899

D L ROSEN, Clerk

Redmon & Hogan Solicitors for Complainant

Feb 1-d4w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Michael Ennis, Deceased

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Michael Ennis late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois deceased hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur at the April term on the first Monday in April next at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of February 1899

feb 8-d4w W M RYAN, Administrator

Tickets to New York and Philadelphia, via National Capital.

Commencing at once the Vandalia-Pennsylvania Lines will sell tickets to Philadelphia and New York via Washington, D C at the same rate as apply over direct lines of the Pennsylvania and allow Ten Days stopover at Washington. For further information apply to W. L. Smith at Union depot or J. C. Millspaugh tele phone 2,654.

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Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

Wabash Line

[Corrected to Feb. 19, 1899.]

TO CHICAGO.

No 12—Daily ..... 1 10 a m
No 16—Daily except Sunday..... 9 21 a m
No 14—Daily..... 11:42 a m

TO ST. LOUIS.

No. 5—East Mail, Daily ..... 11:46 p m
No 3—Daily ..... 3 40 a m
No. 9—St Louis Accomm., Daily ..... 7:10 a m
No 1—Continental Limited Daily... 4:03 p m
No 7—Kansas City Ex, Daily ..... 5.45 p m

TO TOLEDO AND BUFFALO.

No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily ..... 6 36 a m
No 16—Danville Accom ex Sunday 9 21 a m
No 34—Except Sunday ..... 11 00 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily.. 11:37 a m
No 10—Lafayette Accom., ex. Sun .. 4 42 p m
No. 2—N Y. Limited, Daily ..... 11.51 p m

TO QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 8—K. C. Express, Daily ..... 8.37 a m
No 12—Clayton Accom., Daily ..... 7.20 a m
No. 9—Daily, ex. Sun ..... 11:01 a m
No 1—Daily ..... 4.12 p m
No. 17—To Springfield, Daily ..... 7:10 p m

FROM CHICAGO.

No 11—Daily ..... 3 27 a m
No. 11—Limited Daily ..... 8 44 p m
No 17—Daily, except Sunday ..... 6 00 p m

FROM ST. LOUIS.

No. 12—Night Express, Daily ..... 1 07 a m
No. 6—East Mail, Daily ..... 5.45 a m
No 24—Daily, except Sunday ..... 10 55 a m
No 4—Continental Limited Daily 11 34 a m
No. 10—St. Louis Accom., Daily ..... 9:30 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited Daily ..... 11.45 p m

FROM TOLEDO.

No. 5—Fast Mail, Daily ..... 11 42 p m
No. 3—Limited, Daily ..... 3.15 a m
No. 1—Continental Limited, Daily... 4 00 p m
No. 7—St. Louis Through Ex Daily 5 40 p m

FROM QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 16—From Springfield, Daily ..... 9:45 a m
No 4—Express, Daily ..... 10 45 a m
No 10—From Springfield, ex. Sun ... 4 27 p m
No. 20—From Clayton, Daily ..... 6 51 p m
No 4—From Kansas City, Daily .... 11 05 p m

DEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RY.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1.....10 35 a. m.	A No. 2.....2 30 p. m
D No. 3.....10 05 p. m	D No. 4.....6.35 a. m
A No. 11 ..... 2 30 p. m	

Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2..... 3 00p. m	A No. 1.....10.45 a. m
D No. 4..... 6:35 a. m	D No. 3.....10 20 p. m.
A No. 10.....10:35 a m	A No. 11..... 3 05 p. m.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to Dec. 28, 1898.

No 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..... * 1.32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman ..... * 3 5 p. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign..* 5 45 a. m.
No. 104 Main Line North..... * 11 00 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North ..... † 5 45p. m
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves.....
..... † 4.1 p. m
No 19 freight, stop ..... † 4 35 p m
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana..... * 1 22a. m
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana..... * 4.51p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Centralia 10:22 a. m
No. 1 3 Main Line South to Cairo... * 4:15 p. m
No. 121 Local Freight South . † 7:45 a m
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives ..... * 1 : 5 p. m
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives ..... † 11 45 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

Vandalia Line.

In effect Oct 15, 1898.

DEPARTS EAST.

No 84—Freight, ex. Sunday..... 8:05 a m
No 12—Except Sunday..... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday..... 3:25 p m

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday..... 10 45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday..... 5 00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday..... 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday..... 7.00 a m
No. 85—Freight, ex. Sunday..... 7:30 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday..... 10:35 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday..... 3:30 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday..... 4.10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday..... 9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass... *2 25 p m	No. 4 Pass...*11:10 p m
No. 3 Pass...*9:47 a m	No. 2 Pass...*11:03 a m
" 7 ..... †10 50 a m	" 10 .....†4:15 p m
" 9 ..... †4 00 p m	" 8 .....†3 00 a m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

One way Settlers tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, Southwest, West and Northwest, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days One fare, plus $2 00, for the round trip.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges each direction, on sale daily.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

The I., D & W. railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first Tuesday of each month Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets rate maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to C A Pollock Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ills

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Southern Homeseekers' Guide.

New 1898 Edition, Entirely Rewritten and Giving Facts and Conditions Brought Down to Date,

This new 164 page illustrated pamphlet contains a large number of letters from northern farmers now prosperously located on the lines of the Illinois Central Railroad in the states of Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, also a detailed write up of the cities, towns and country on and adjacent to that line. To homeseekers, or those in search of a farm this pamphlet will furnish reliable information concerning the most accessible and [illegible] portion of the [illegible]

Every Dealer In Decatur

Doesn't think it worth while to keep such a complete line of dishes and bric-a-brac. This is where he makes a mistake. Housewives are wonderfully educated in these days and the ordinary gold-rimmed crockery that the grandmother thought the acme of style is passed by with contempt for the dainty, colored patterns of today. Nothing but the best is good enough for our customers, and we are willing and happy to say there is no place where pretty dishes can be bought so reasonable as here.

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Better Hurry Up.

Such opportunities not always to be had and don't last long. Get the following while they last.

Hanan & Son's Double Sole Enamel Bals., Regular $5.00 grade reduced to $4.00.

Hanan & Son's Double Sole Winter Tan Bals, regular $5.00 grade, now $4.00.

Hanan & Son's Ladies' Hand Welt and Hand Turned Block Vici Kid Lace Shoes, were $5.00, now $4.00.

There is nothing in the world equals a HANAN SHOE. Better come while they last.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.,

148 EAST MAIN STREET.

OF COURSE Youneeda biscuit,

BUT how on earth will you digest that biscuit?

YOUNEEDA little bit of physical exercise,

UNEEDA Whitely Exerciser.

UNEEDA Set of Boxing Gloves.

UNEEDA Punching Bag.

UNEEDA little out-door recreation, and in order to get it with the greatest amount of pleasure

UNEEDA Cleveland or Crescent Bicycle.

UNEEDA Shot Gun or Target Rifle.

We need your money, and are willing to give you bargains to get it.

DECATUR GUN CO.

Hair Brush

SALE

This Week.

WEST'S DRUG STORE . . .

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Pictures and Frames at Melchers' Art Store south of the Postoffice.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—1-dtf

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

Call at the C. B. Prescott music house and see those celebrated Chickering and Packard pianos. They can be had at low figures on easy terms. See them.

One lot of ladies lace and button pointed toe shoes. Good sizes. Regular price $3 to $4.50. Our price $1.

Rodgers & Clark,
Successors to Freeman Bros.
—21-2t

To beautify your homes see our line of tapestry, burlaps and heavy pressed papers. W. C. Pluck & Son, 109 East North street.—6-d1mo

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

Fine candies at Glessner's, 148 East Prairie.

Why send your money out of town when we take your subscriptions at publishers' prices.

L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moran on Tuesday, February 21, a daughter.

Misses and child's broken sizes in high grade of shoes. Regular price $1 to $2. Our price 25 to 75 cents. Come and see us. Rodgers & Clark,
Successors to Freeman Bros.
—21-2t

Want More Boxing.

There is some talk of organizing another athletic club in Decatur. The entertainment given at the opera house recently stirred up a good deal of interest in athletics and those who are inclined that way want to see another boxing exhibition.

250 New Members.

We have purchased the Freeman Bros. shoe stock at less than one-half wholesale cost, which puts us in position to make you very low prices on footwear. Come early while our stock is complete. Rodgers & Clark.
—21-2t

M. W. of A. at Casner.

The members of the Modern Woodman camp at Casner will give an entertainment next Friday evening. The members of Easterly Camp of Decatur and other visitors have been invited to attend and five candidates will be initiated.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in Chicago.

Hisgen Bros, the popular South Side druggists, corner 69th street and Wentworth avenue, say: "We sell a great deal of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and find that it gives the most satisfactory results, especially among children for severe colds and croup." For sale by H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Corn Being Shipped.

During the past few days large amounts of corn have been delivered at the small stations in this vicinity. The grain has been moving so lively that there has been considerable difficulty in securing enough cars to transport it to the markets and at some of the towns there are many thousand bushels of corn waiting to be taken away.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

HEAR MARTIN TONIGHT

At the Tabernacle.

One of the Greatest Living Evangelists.

DR. S. M. MARTIN,
The "California Cyclone."

A man of wonderful platform power. A scholar, thinker, orator, gentleman, Christian! No shoddy about his work.

THEME TO-NIGHT:

"INFANT BAPTISM EXAMINED"

Music in charge of Prof. Lee B. Millikan and his choir of 100 voices.

Meeting for Ladies only next Sunday at 3 p. m.

☞ Services begin at 7:30 O'CLOCK SHARP, TONIGHT. EVERYBODY WELCOME! COME ON TIME! Bring an offering for the Evangelist.

MADE A REPORT

The Auditorium Committee Met Last Night

AT DECATUR CLUB ROOMS

And Prepared a Letter to the Public Setting Forth the Plans—The Auditorium Is a Sure Thing.

The members of the committee having in charge the arrangements for the erection of an auditorium in this city held a meeting last evening at the Decatur club and have prepared a report for the public, setting forth their plans of procedure. The auditorium is no longer a mere idea but a sure go and as soon as the arrangements can be perfected it will be built. The report of the committee to the public is as follows:

"Decatur, Ill., Feb. 21, 1899.

"To the Public: The undersigned committee, recently appointed at a meeting of citizens, held for the purpose of promoting the erection of an auditorium in Decatur, have decided to make their report through the press, rather than at a called meeting of citizens, thereby reaching a larger number of those interested in the project than could be gotten together at a meeting.

"We beg to report that we have found a most decided sentiment, prevalent among the business men of the city, favorable to the scheme of erection in Decatur, at once, a large and substantially constructed building suitable for all large gatherings, such as conventions, carnivals, fairs, etc., and it is the general opinion that the city would derive substantial benefits in possessing such a building.

"A building of this kind would provide our own people with something of which they have long stood in need for their own uses and would also enable us to secure for Decatur many of the conventions and large gatherings now held in Chicago and Springfield. It is the opinion of the committee that the proposed auditorium should surpass in every respect any similar building in the state outside of Chicago both in size and convenience of construction.

"Requests for proposals for building sites solicited 10 offers, ranging in prices from $6000 to $15,000, and we think a very desirable site could be purchased for from $6000 to $8000. The selection of the site should be left to the stockholders or the officers of the company to be formed. Plans and estimates for the building have been received from six architects and are in many respects most commendable, but the selection of an architect to make complete plans and specifications should, in the opinion of the committee, be left to the officers of the association, to be elected after the subscription for the stock is completed. Much information has been acquired concerning the construction and arrangements of large buildings which will be of material benefit to those intrusted with this work and we have ascertained that the cost for the construction alone of such a building as Decatur should possess, would range from $18,000 to $22,000, according to plans and methods of construction. We think that a stock company with a capital of $30,000 should at once be formed by the business men of the city, and with that end in view we will immediately apply to the secretary of state for a license to receive subscriptions to the stock. It is hardly necessary for us to say that this is a large amount to raise and that to do so we must expect most liberal subscriptions to stock. This applies equally to all merchants, who will derive direct benefits, and the property holders in general who will also share in the benefits of increased trade by maintaining rents. If the merchants enjoy a large and profitable trade they can afford to be more liberal with their landlords. All citizens should share in the project as a home pride. We are assured by some of our business men, who are acquainted with the facts, that with such a building provided, we could without any doubt hold semi-annually in Decatur, two grand musical festivals on a much larger and more scale than ever before undertaken in central Illinois. For two weeks in each year, one in the spring and one in the fall, we could draw from a radius of 100 miles around Decatur, the largest and most refined crowds of visitors to our city ever assembled in Illinois, outside of Chicago, and by proper and liberal management in securing artists of national reputation this use of the auditorium would become a permanent feature. The managers of our late corn carnival say that with such a building at their disposal they could so far eclipse the carnival of 1898 that we could look back upon that as a rude experiment.

"Besides these and numerous other uses to which we could apply the auditorium, which might be mentioned here, we must remember that not only our present wants would be supplied, but also that once having the building, new and now unthought of uses would arise.

"Respectfully,
"A. R. Montgomery,
"W. W. Linn,
"W. L. Shellabarger,
"B. Z. Taylor,
"B. Bradley,
"C. M. Hurst,
"L. L. Burrows."

Acknowledgment.

The brothers and sisters of the late Harry M. Evans desire to express their thanks to neighbors and friends for kindly acts and sympathy in their bereavement.

Corner Stone Laying.

The cornerstone of a new Catholic church at Paris, Ill., will be laid on Sunday, April 30. Rev. Father Lee was in the city yesterday making arrangements to run an excursion from this city on that occasion.

W. M. S. Will Meet.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will be held at the home of Mrs. M. L. Dennis on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Following the business session a missionary coffee will be served.

Missionary Lecture.

Rev. M. E. Troxell of Springfield will deliver the next missionary lecture of the Macon County Christian Endeavor course on the evening of February 27. The place for holding the meeting has not been decided upon. A committee will be appointed at this meeting to arrange the program and set the date for the Christian Endeavor convention.

Will Go in Business.

Samuel Funk, who for years past has been employed at the Shellabarger mill, has resigned his position and on March 1 will go into the farming implement business with James Hughes on South Water street. Funk entered the employ of the Shellabarger mill in 1868 and with the exception of a few years when he was on a farm has worked there ever since. He will be succeeded by Abe Hornback.

Spoke Last Night.

Brigadier General and Mrs. Taft of the Salvation Army were in the city yesterday and spoke last night at the First Presbyterian church. As there were not more than 100 persons present General Taft did not deliver his address on Salvation Army work, but spoke on a Bible subject. Mrs. Taft talked of the experiences of herself and husband before they joined the army. The small attendance was due to unfavorable weather and General Taft expects to visit Decatur soon again.

MARCH 2nd

Revivalist Harrison Will Begin Meeting at First M. E. Church.

Rev. Frost Craft last evening received a telegram from Rev. Thomas Harrison saying that the revivalist would be in Decatur and begin the meetings at the First M. E. church on March 2.

S. S. WORKERS IN DECATUR

Program for Sunday School Normal Institute Beginning Feb. 24.

The following is the program for the Sunday school normal institute which will be held at the United Brethren church in this city on Thursday and Friday:

THURSDAY—FORENOON.

Prayer Service—Earl Merrits.

Normal Bible Lesson, "The Four Gospels"—W. C. Pearce.

Normal Bible and Training Classes—Rev. M. Stevenson.

Normal Training Lesson, "The Sunday School Officers"—W. C. Pearce.

AFTERNOON.

Devotional Service—M. S. Newcomer.

Normal Bible Drill, "John the Writer"—W. C. Pearce.

Loyal Army Methods—W. L. Shellabarger and R. C. Augustine.

Normal Training Lesson, "Sunday School Management"—W. C. Pearce.

EVENING.

Song and Testimony Service—E. P. Irving.

The Work of the County Sunday School Association—P. P. Laughlin.

Address—W. C. Pearce.

FRIDAY—FORENOON.

Bible Reading. Topic, Prayer—W. H. Penhallegon.

Prayer Service—J. L. Deck.

Normal Bible Drill. "The Book of John"—W. C. Pearce.

"The Teachers' Meeting"—Rev. S. H. Bowyer.

Normal Training Lesson, "The Teachers' Preparation and Work"—W. C. Pearce.

AFTERNOON.

Memory Gems from Scripture—A. W. Hawkins.

The Home Department—W. C. Pearce.

Primary Work — Miss Elizabeth Whitehurst

Next Sunday's Lesson as Taught the Primary Class—Miss Lillian Chadsey.

Next Sunday's Lesson as Taught the Adult Classes—W. C. Pearce.

EVENING.

Mass meeting of Sunday school workers. "Gathering up the Fragments. What Next"—Rev. M. B. Spayd.

A BANKRUPT

A. T. Summers' Liabilities Placed at $35,535.

THE ASSETS GIVEN AS $360

A Petition in Bankruptcy was Filed in the District Court Last Saturday—List of the Creditors.

Albert T. Summers, the loan broker has failed. Last Saturday he made a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court at Springfield. Attorney Hugh Crea acted as solicitor. The liabilities are given at $35,535 and the assets $360. The claims are for different amounts, the smallest being for $10 and the largest $11,000.

Mr. Summers states that his failure is due to the fact that during the past few years he has lost heavily on real estate. During the hard times in '97 and 1896 he had large holdings of real estate and in order to satisfy pressing creditors he was forced to sell several pieces of property at a great loss. On the sale of three pieces of property he states that he lost $11,000. Mr. Summers says that he expected to pay out in full but that he found himself so heavily in debt that the burden was too great for him to carry. He therefore sought relief in a discharge in bankruptcy. The matter will be adjusted in the United States district court some time within the next 30 days.

THE CREDITORS.

The following is a list of the principal creditors who are not secured.

J. C. Hostetler	$1,000
W. W. Kimball & Co.	[illegible]
Elizabeth McDonald estate	[illegible]
National Bank of Decatur	[illegible]
Charles M. Allison	[illegible]
J. E. Strohm	1,500
E. L. Pegram	4,000
G. G. Lockett	5,000
A. G. Webber	[illegible]

There are also a number of other smaller creditors whose claims run up as high as $500.

The creditors who are secured are as follows:

P. B. Provost	$ [illegible]
Charles F. Bachman	1,400
John W. Coughlin	[illegible]
William R. Barnes	[illegible]
Fred M. Cox	[illegible]
F. R. Shull	[illegible]

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Banks and Court House Offices were Closed Today—Entertainments.

Today is Washington's birthday but there is no special celebration in Decatur. There were a number of social events last night and some will occur this evening. The legal holiday was observed by the banks which were closed all day. The public library was also closed and business at the offices in the court house was suspended.

S. OF V. TONIGHT.

This evening the members of the Sons of Veterans and the Ladies' Aid society will give an entertainment at their hall at the corner of Wood and Water streets. The affair will be to celebrate the birthdays of Lincoln and Washington. The following program will be rendered:

Opening Prayer.
Instrumental Duet—Mrs. [illegible] and Miss Dixon.
Reading—Miss Vesta White
Piano Solo—Miss Dixon.
Vocal Solo—Miss Florence Hatch.
Reading—Miss Shay.
Song—Richard Wismer.
Recitation—Miss Ida Wilson.
Piano Solo—Miss Gray.
Recitation—Mrs. Metta Gonker
Piano Solo—Will Hammond.
Address—Dr. Calhoun.

The public is cordially invited. Admission is free.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.

The members of Golden [illegible] Camp, Royal Neighbors of America gave a Washington ball last [illegible] at the S. of V. hall. There was an excellent program which was followed by dancing.

C. P. CHURCH.

The members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church Sunday [illegible] gave an entertainment last evening in the Sunday school rooms. Refreshments were served and a program of musical and literary numbers was rendered.

Lanham-Griswold.

Miss Georgia G. Griswold and William C. Lanham were married Tuesday afternoon by Rev. G. [illegible] Hall at his residence on West [illegible] street. Later in the afternoon the couple left for a visit with friends in Orcana. They will reside in [illegible]. The groom is employed at the [illegible] Iron Works and the bride is the daughter of Conductor and Mrs. O. J. Griswold.

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